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Truth and Reconciliation panel for Tamils to be set up by Lanka

Sri Lanka has taken the first step to set up the much-delayed Truth Commission, a major demand for reconciliation after the 2009 war. The Commission shall investigate, inquire, and make recommendations in respect of complaints or allegations or reports relating to damage or harm caused to persons or property, loss of life or alleged violation of human rights anywhere in Sri Lanka, which were caused in the course of the conflict which took place from 1983 to 2009, or its aftermath, the govt said

CAA rules to be notified before Lok Sabha polls

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

THE Modi government is said to have begun work on notifying the Rules of Citizenship (Amendment) Act of 2019 on top priority and targets to do it before the Lok Sabha polls.

"We are working on it and will soon issue the rules for the CAA. Once the rules are issued, the law can be implemented and those eligible can be granted citizenship," a senior official from the home ministry said in an informal chat with this newspaper. CAA aims to give Indian citizenship to persecuted minorities from neighbouring Muslim countries. While it was passed in both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha in 2019, the law set off a firestorm of protest across the country. So, the government chose against notifying CAA's rules subsequently. It periodically sought parliamentary permission for the dealy in framing the rules.

Arrangement is now being made to facilitate online application process, too, for citizenship, the official said. "There would be no need of passport if the applicants apply a year online when they entered India without travel documents. No document will be sought from the applicants," he said.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on December 27 had said that no one can stop the implementation of the CAA as it is the law of the land. He had said this while accusing the West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee of misleading people on the issue.

PLANES COLLIDE, CATCH FIRE AT HANEDA AIRPORT

A Japan Airlines (JAL) A350 plane is on fire on the runway of Haneda Airport in Tokyo on Tuesday. All 379 people aboard the JAL flight, which had arrived from Shin Chitose airport near Sapporo, had a miraculous escape as the plane collided with a Japan Coast Guard aircraft, while landing at Haneda, and turned into a fireball. However, five crew members of the smaller plane were killed. The Coast Guard flight was headed to Niigata on Japan's west coast to deliver aid to the victims of Monday's quake | AP | P12

Indian team in Arctic studies polar warming

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

Himadri, the Indian research station on Svalbard in Norway

THEY ushered in the New Year with researchers from 10 other countries who have come to Svalbard, a global science village in Norway, in the world's northernmost inhabited place for research on the Arctic. India is among 11 countries doing research in the polar region, and in a first, has sent a team of four researchers for the winter expedition, which will last till March this year.

The Indian research team comprising Girish BS, research scientist, Raman Research Institute (RRI), Bengaluru; Athulya R, research scholar, National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research (NCPOR), Goa; Surendra Singh, senior project associate, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune; and Prashant Rawat, research scholar, Indian Institute of Technology, Mandi, has settled down well and commenced research amid the unique experience of polar nights and temperatures ranging between -20 degrees and -10 degrees Celsius. CONTINUED ON: P10

EXPRESS READ

SC to pronounce verdict on Adani plea today

New Delhi: The Supreme Court will pronounce its verdict on Wednesday on a batch of pleas on the Adani-Hindenburg row over allegations of stock price manipulation. A bench headed by CJI D Y Chandrachud had reserved its verdict on the pleas.

BRICS doubles in size as five new members join

New Delhi: The BRICS bloc of top emerging economies, including India, Russia and China, has inducted five full members. The grouping has become a 10-nation body now with Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE joining it as new members.

Siddu defends karsevak's arrest

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Koppal/Hubballi

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah said on Tuesday that there is no hate politics in the arrest of a karsevak in connection with the violence in Hubballi in December 1992.

Addressing reporters at Koppal airport before leaving for Vijayapura, he sought to know what should be done to the wrongdoers? Should they be left alone? The High Court of Karnataka has issued a directive to dispose of all pending cases and the police have acted accordingly. If there is a court order, action has to be taken, he said. CONTINUED ON: P4

TRUCKERS' STIR OFF AFTER GOVT BUYS PEACE

Chakka jam affected movement of essentials

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

Heavy rush at a petrol pump amid the truckers' protest in Hyderabad | PTI

THE two-day-old truckers strike in parts of the country ended late on Tuesday night after the Centre assured the protesters that the enhanced punishment in hit-and-run cases under the revamped law will be placed on hold for now.

Amrit Lal Madan, president of the All India Motor Transport Congress (AIMTC) late on Tuesday night appealed to the truck drivers to resume their services, saying the Centre has assured to look into the demands. The appeal came after his meeting with Union Home Secretary Ajay Bhalla.

The *chakka jam* by truck drivers in various parts of the country had crippled transportation of essential commodities and led to panic buying.

Under the recently enacted Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, which is set to replace the Indian Penal Code, drivers who cause serious road accidents due to negligent driving and run away without informing authorities face up to 10 years in prison or a fine of ₹7 lakh.

Home secretary Ajay Bhalla, in his appeal, said: "Before implementing the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita clause on hit-and-run, we will discuss it with AIMTC representatives and them take the final call."

Following the strike, there was a 10-15% jump in the prices of vegetables in the Delhi wholesale market as supplies were disrupted. Rajasthan witnessed stray violence with a mob burning a police vehicle and pelting stones at security personnel, leaving three injured in Kekri district on Monday night.

The Congress supported the protest, saying the misuse of the legislation could lead to an extortionist network and organised corruption.

Shri Siddaramaiah
Honourable Chief Minister

GOVERNMENT AT YOUR DOORSTEP

YOUR APPEAL, OUR SOLUTION

Bangaloreans, the government is coming to your doorstep. Make use of the opportunity to submit an appeal on any issue pertaining to BBMP, BDA, BMRDA, BMTC, BWSSB, BMRCL, Bescom and Guarantee schemes.

DATE	ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY	PLACE
JANUARY 03 2024	K R Pura Mahadevapura	Dr. B R Ambedkar Stadium, Dooravani Nagar, K R Pura Main Road, Bengaluru - 560016.
JANUARY 05 2024	Yelahanka Dasarahalli Byatarayanapura	Dr B R Ambedkar Bhavan, 16th A Main Road, Near NES Bus Stand, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru - 560064
JANUARY 06 2024	Shivajinagar Hebbal Pulakeshinagar	RBANMS High School Ground, Saint Johns Road, Shivanchetty Garden, Bengaluru - 560042

NOTE: Adhaar or Pan card are mandatory to submit an appeal

9.30am onwards

Shri D K Shivakumar
Honourable Deputy Chief Minister

ALMANAC TODAY

• **Wednesday:** 03/01/2024 • **Year:** Shobhakruta • **Ayana:** Dakshinayana • **Ritu:** Himantha • **Masa:** Margashira • **Paksha:** Krishna • **Tithi:** Saptami 4.16 pm • **Nakshatra:** Uttharaphalguni 12.13 pm • Moon in Tula Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30pm • **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER | MIN 16°C | MAX 28°C | **FORECAST** Morning clouds

Sunrise 6.42 am | Sunset 6.05 pm | Moonrise 11.30 pm | Moonset 11.42 am

BBMP PLANS BIG FOR LAST-MILE METRO CONNECTIVITY

To build facilities worth Rs 90 crore, ties up with World Resource Institute to come up with safe, sustainable design

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

WITH Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited reach extending to Kadugodi and Challaghatta and with Bangalore Metro Transport Corporation (BMTC) adding more feeder buses, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) is aiming at providing facilities, like good footpaths and others, to improve last-mile connectivity. The Palike has tied up with the World Resource Institute for the draft and design of these facilities. Palike Engineer-In-Chief BS Prahallad said that BBMP has set aside Rs 90 crore for last-mile connectivity.

To give a push for the proposed concept under the 'Nam-ma Raste' project, launched last month, the BBMP Project Division held a meeting with WRI officials who have proposed safe and sustainable footpath designs.

"The BBMP engineer-in-chief held a meeting in this regard on Tuesday. We have been asked to come up with a draft and design keeping safety aspects in mind. The idea is to bring more people to the Metro by walking and for that, a safe footpath design is what has been asked for. The focus will be to develop a footpath within 2 km radius of Metro stations," said Srinivas Alavilli, Fellow, World Resource Institute.

Confirming it, Prahallad said the Palike has planned many citizen-friendly progarmmes for 2024. "Under the National Clean Air Programme, we will take up a 100 km last-mile connectivity project. Two kilometres of perpendicular roads around Metro stations will have safe and sustainable footpaths. This is to boost Metro ridership and improve public transport, discourage people from bringing their own vehicles and eventually reduce air pollution and traffic," said Prahallad.

Sources said the project is likely to begin from Madhavan Park in Jayanagar and will connect to Jayanagar Metro station. Once the project is completed, it will be replicated across metro stations in the city. Sources said RR Nagar Main Road, Hoodi Main Road, Cambridge Main Road and 26 other stretches will be connected with Metro stations under the project.

Now, companies can lease BMTC feeder buses for staff

To encourage employees of private companies to travel by Metro, especially after the extension of rail services to the Whitefield suburbs, the Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) has introduced feeder bus services on contract basis for companies and factories. The service was launched on January 1. The rate for permanent lease metro feeder services for 0-80 km per day for Midi buses costs Rs 4,000, ordinary buses Rs 5,000, BS VI buses Rs 6,000, Volvo buses Rs 8,000 and electric buses Rs 9,000 (9 metre) and Rs 12,000 (12 metre). For distances above 80 km, the prices will be calculated per km basis, said a release from BMTC on Tuesday. **ENS**

BWSSB GETS GLOBAL AWARD

Bengaluru: The Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board has been bestowed with the 'Climate Smart Utilities Award-2023' by the International Water Association for exemplary service rendered to Bengalureans, said an official release. It was selected among 20 global organisations. The recognition aims to create awareness on the steps being taken by water and sanitation utilities operating in challenging conditions and their response to climate change. **ENS**

A month after DKS' order, SP Road still in a shambles

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

DURING one of his city rounds on December 2, Deputy Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister DK Shivakumar directed the BBMP to fix potholes and repair the stretch of Pailwan M Krishna Road, next to Dasappa Hospital. Now a month has passed by, but the condition of the road is still the same. Interestingly, the Palike head office is just a few minutes away from the stretch.

SP Road Traders' Association president Ramesh Dhoka pointed out that the stretch is perennially in a bad condition due to high density of traffic. This has affected their business as the bad road creates traffic jams, he said demanded that this should be addressed.

"I have written many letters to officials in the past. We have also written to senior police officers and the BBMP Chief Commissioner to look into the issue, but the matter has remained unresolved," said Dhoka. Savithri Akki, Executive Engineer, Major Roads, South Division, said the roads come under BBMP wards and now the officials have written a letter asking the Major Roads section to take it under its jurisdiction and also proposed for white topping of the stretch.

Motorists and pedestrians face a nightmare due to the pathetic condition of SP Road. Dy CM DK Shivakumar's intervention has also not helped | VINOD KUMAR T

PUBLIC ACCESS ROW

HC extends interim protection to mall

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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THE Karnataka High Court on Tuesday adjourned till Friday hearing of the petition filed by Phoenix Mall of Asia questioning the legality of the order passed by the city police to restrict public access to the mall to prevent to public disturbance and provide hassle-free traffic.

Continuing the interim order passed by the court earlier till the next date of hearing, the court adjourned the hearing after the city police sought two more days to find a solution in compliance with the court's order. In the interim order, the court had made it clear that the police should not take any precipitative action against the mall till the issue is resolved amicably, or till further orders passed by the court.

Justice Sachin Shankar Magadum passed the order after the state government informed the court that deliberations were going on and two meetings were held to find out a solution pursuant to the court's order on December 31 and two more days were required to continue the deliberations and submit the outcome of the meeting.

After hearing the petition filed by Sparkle One Mall Developers Private Limited, which runs the mall located in Byatarayanapura on Ballari Road, in a special sitting on December 31, the court had clarified that prohibitory order issued by the City Police Commissioner to restrict public access to mall shall not be treated as prohibiting or preventing public from access to the mall.

The Commissioner of Police passed the prohibitory order on December 30 under Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code in view of traffic congestion due to vehicles waiting to enter the mall piling up on the road. The petitioner contended that the said order is unconstitutional as it amounts to closing down the mall.

On the other hand, the state government contended that the impugned order does not result in the closure of the mall or the business as it does not restrict the opening of the mall, entry of shop owners or employees, but restricts the entry of public into the mall.

BDA ready with tenders for STPs at Karanth Layout

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

WITH the notification on allotment of sites for the public in Dr Shivaram Karanth Layout to be out shortly, the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) has readied tenders for two Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs). They will be submitted to the government's Tender Scrutiny Committee for approval on Wednesday, a senior official said.

The layout comprises 34,000 sites – of which 30,000 are ready for allotment in the first phase -- developed on 3,546 acres and 12 guntas, extending across 17 villages in North Bengaluru.

The official told TNIE, "The tender for the design, construction and commissioning of the STPs is ready, and the project is totally estimated to cost around Rs 200 crore. The plants will be installed in two villages of the layout. One STP can treat 25 Million Litres Per Day (MLD) of waste water, while the bigger one will treat up to 50 MLD. They will treat all the waste water from the layout as well as houses or smaller layouts in the villages regularised by the Supreme Court-appointed Justice A V Chandrashekhar Committee." The treated water will be used in parks, gardens as well as fire hydrants, another official said.

The tender covers allied infrastructure like 6 reinforced cement concrete wet walls cum pump houses, 8 machine hole pumping stations and all electro-mechanical instrumentation.

"After the committee gives its consent, the bidders will be given a month to apply for it. The deadline for completion of the STPs after the contract is finalised is 24 months. It includes operation and maintenance for five years," he added.

With the Cauvery Water Supply Stage Scheme V set to supply drinking water to this area, BDA will also call for tenders to build a Ground Level Reservoir (GLR) shortly. "The reservoir should have a storage capacity of 45 lakh litres," another official said.

SHOW IN TOWN

Three-day millet fair from Jan 5, to pomote organic foods

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There will be nearly 300 stalls at the trade fair and we are expecting over 2 lakh people to attend this year
N Cheluvarayaswamy, Agriculture Minister

Minister N Cheluvarayaswamy with Food Processing and Harvest Technology Special Secretary Rohini Sindhuri announce the date of Millet Mela in Bengaluru

THE CITY will host a three-day millet fair at Palace Grounds from January 5. Seminars, workshops, talks, exhibitions and food stalls will be the highlight of the Millets and Organics International Trade Fair-2024, being organised by the state government.

States like Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Manipur and Meghalaya are participating in the fair, Agriculture Minister N Cheluvarayaswamy told reporters on Tuesday. "The three-day fair will give an opportunity to people to learn about organic millet farming. Farmers' workshop will be in Kannada, and state agriculture and horticulture university scientists will speak to them about the latest developments, best practices, and technology in organics, millets and natural farming sectors. Along with this, they will get to know how to add value to the millets they grow."

Cash incentive of Rs 10,000 given to farmers will be enhanced in the coming year, the minister said. Organic and millet farming organisations, marketers, exporters, retailers, farmer groups, regional federations, organic input organisations, state and central government departments and other organisations will participate in the exhibition. Karnataka's millets and organic products will be exhibited on the theme 'Karnataka: Cultivating Diversity, Harvesting Prosperity'.

The minister said at the fair, wholesale and bulk buyers from across India and other countries can directly connect with farmers and producers to facilitate trade deals and access new market opportunities.

Visitors will also get a chance to relish various millet meals and snacks. "There will be nearly 300 stalls at the trade fair and we are expecting over 2 lakh people to attend this year," he added.

EXPRESS READ

Canara Bank unveils Data and Analysis Centre

Canara Bank inaugurated its Data and Analysis Centre (DnA) in Bengaluru on Monday. The facility was opened by K Satyanarayana Raju, MD and CEO of the bank. The event marked important partnerships for data lakehouse implementation and an Advanced Analytics Platform in the cloud. The bank also held the grand finale of its DACOETHON (Data Analytics Centre of Excellence Hackathon). On Monday, the top 5 contenders delivered compelling presentations at the hackathon finale. **ENS**

B'luru gets India's first stray cat sterilisation clinic

A state-of-the-art sterilisation clinic dedicated to stray cats, said to be the first of its kind in the country, has been set up in Bengaluru. The centre was launched by Murty Trust, the family foundation of Sudha Murty and Infosys co-founder Narayana Murthy, in collaboration with Compassion Unlimited Plus Action (CUPA) on January 1. Named 'Maitri', which means goodwill, friendship and amity, the centre aims to tackle the stray cat overpopulation in the city and promote peaceful cohabitation. Sudha Murty said, "We hope to provide the resources to scale up CUPA's work for the wellbeing of the animals and community." Rajani Badami, CUPA trustee, said those interested in getting stray cats sterilised can write to cupaprojects@cupaindia.org. **ENS**

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

03RD January : Sometimes it's great artists, rather than scientists, who influence exploration of the heavens. In this case, it was the design for a robot of Leonardo da Vinci, who died five centuries ago, which was taken up by the US space agency as the prototype for an android to explore Mars - and prepare the ground for the first people to land on the red planet.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You will begin to realise that personal contacts are extremely important. In fact you may be able to patch up a professional battle by bringing in friends and colleagues on your side. Broaden your horizons, expand your visions and you'll see just how you can shift yourself out of an emotional rut.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
The heavens have been smiling on you, and you have much to be thankful for. Today, you should turn your attention towards personal ambitions in the light of any recent ethical considerations, legal decisions or foreign developments. It's important for your self-esteem that you do the right and proper thing.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
You can't do as much as you feel you ought to, but it may not really matter. The pressure on you might not be as great as you think, and you could have another week before you have to leap into action. That should give you time enough to think about what you really need.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
A part of your world has been turned upside down lately, and you must now make an effort to regain your balance. Consider now where the future lies financially, and put down markers for material security. Also, tell loved ones how you feel before they get the wrong idea.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Not only is this a lucrative time for business and financial matters, but you might also be discovering a new spirit in personal relationships. Someone may have convinced you that there is much more to life than you'd thought, and you are about to be pleasantly surprised.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Sometimes you're happier when you have plenty to do. Get back to work and put emotional disappointments behind you. There is not time to dwell on the past. Learn from your mistakes and you will ensure that when the future comes, all will work out for the best.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Certain people may be rather envious of you. Do you think perhaps they have good reason to be a little jealous? It definitely looks as if your romantic stars are shining brighter than theirs. What you need, though, is the confidence to make the first move.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Nobody can pull the wool over your eyes or convince you that the truth is other than it seems. You have an eye for events at home and in the family that few people can match, so take command now. If you don't give the orders then someone else surely will.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Something that you now consider to be a minor disagreement could well become a major dispute, but perhaps not because of anything you have said or done. You may receive support from brothers or sisters, or from friends who you treat like part of the family.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Sometimes important plans, designed to simplify domestic arrangements, have to be abandoned, and there is nothing that can be done to salvage them. This is the worst-case scenario. If you have come through unscathed you are lucky. But, if your plans have come unstuck, then you need an alternative.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
There is a great deal to be said for keeping your distance from people who are looking for trouble. If you handle the situation wisely, family members will rally round and you will have it all your own way at home. But will you be happy when you get what you want? Perhaps not!

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Try not to press others to reveal more than they know. If you pry too far, you never know what you will find, and it is safer to give partners time to compose themselves. Even a major upheaval at home could be to your advantage, especially if close friends come round to your way of thinking.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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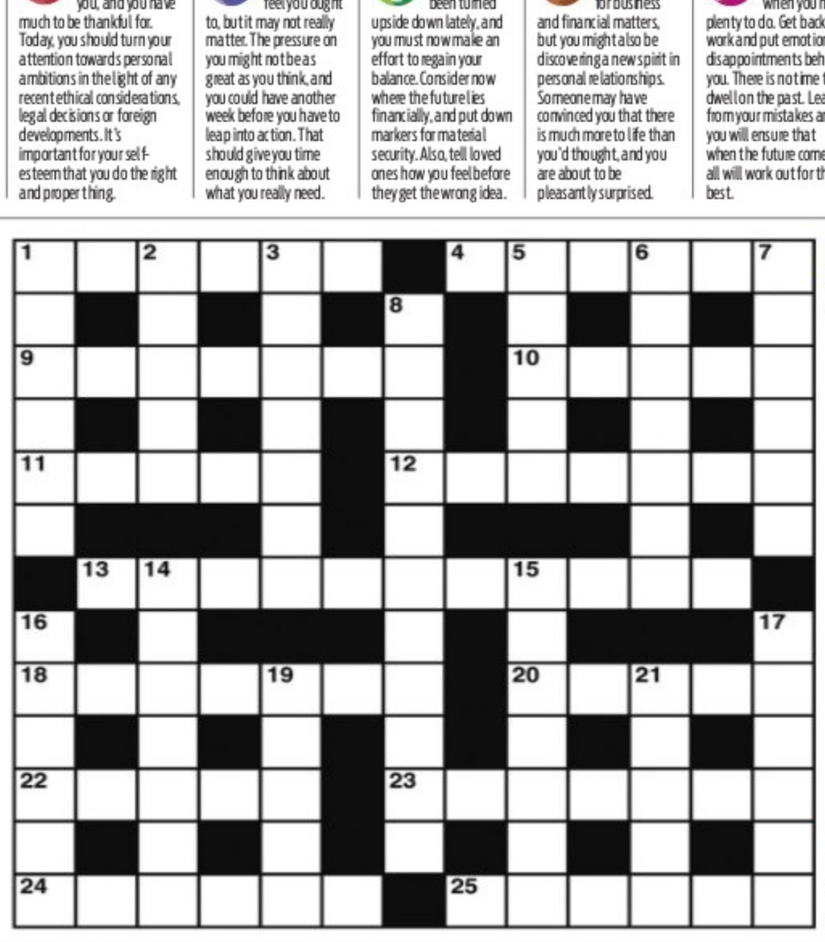
SUDOKU EASY

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Quiet chap's drink? (6)
4 Pilot's error did the damage (6)
9 Hang on for doctor coming to a painful complaint (4,3)
10 Where the goat goes without corn (5)
11 Ten is about all right as a symbol (5)
12 It ends a flight in two ways (7)
13 Star usherette? (7,4)
18 He mingles with the crowd to get food (7)
20 A question of choice (5)
22 Find me in a disturbed state (5)
23 Here in France a cape is needed for the extreme cold (7)
24 Quick - the doctor's in the river! (6)
25 Renee's calm disposition (6)

DOWN

1 A steed in not very frisky form (6)
2 A person is surprised if you take him this (5)
3 Elevated road had flooded (7)
5 Nut found in a ripe Canadian peach (5)
6 Suggested one politician was untruthful (7)
7 Objects to nights out? (6)
8 Unlawful gatherings? (6,5)
14 Self-praise arises when times go badly (7)
15 The end of the current recession (3,4)
16 Intelligence team headed by a copper (6)
17 Modest tea set out (6)
19 Stay from December 1st to spring (5)
21 One-man woman (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Observe, 5 Miler, 8 Round and round, 9 Sisal, 10 Satchel, 11 Stride, 12 Whined, 15 Auction, 17 Upset, 19 One for the road, 20 Testy, 21 Striker.

Down: 1 Ogres, 2 Squash rackets, 3 Riddled, 4 Ernest, 5 Merit, 6 Laughing stock, 7 Raddled, 11 Seaport, 13 Hauteur, 14 Unites, 16 Ivory, 18 Tudor.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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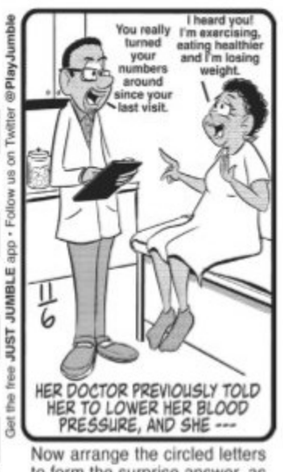
You really turned your numbers around since your last visit.
I heard you! I'm exercising, eating healthier and I'm losing weight.
HER DOCTOR PREVIOUSLY TOLD HER TO LOWER HER BLOOD PRESSURE, AND SHE ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

TO

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: ABIDE WRECK SNAPPY FEDORA
Answer: Would they be able to catch salmon in three feet of water? They'd need to — "WADE" AND SEE

The CCB sleuths arrested a drug peddler who was trying to sell drugs during New Year revelry. Police recovered 25 grams of MDMA crystals, 30 ecstasy pills and a kilogram of ganja, all worth Rs 8 lakh. The drug peddler, Bharath, a resident of Domlur was selling drugs to make fast money

Fake Lokayukta officer cheats 36 officials, arrested

Criminal draws inspiration from movies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A fake Lokayukta officer has been arrested by the sleuths of the Central Crime Branch (CCB) after a government officer filed a complaint. The accused, Sreenath Reddy (34), is from Andhra Pradesh, and has been an active criminal since 2007. Earlier, he used to commit thefts in locked houses.

Later, after getting inspired watching a few Telugu movies, he started targeting government officials. The accused, who has studied till 10th, is said to have cheated 36 government officials, of whom, only one has filed a police complaint. Reddy has allegedly cheated government officials in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana as well. The only complaint against him was filed at the Vidhana Soudha police station and the case was transferred to CCB.

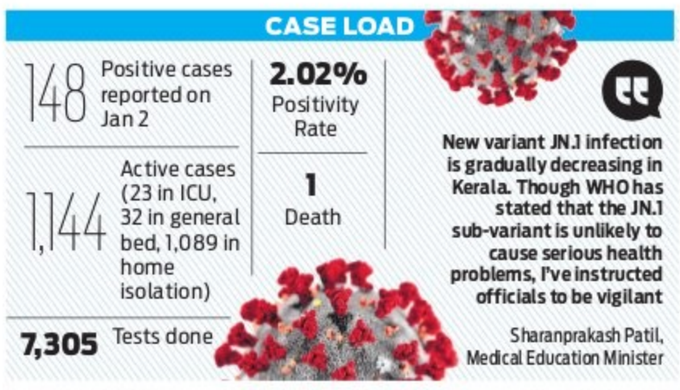
Reddy used to call government officials over phone, claiming to be a Lokayukta Inspector Chandrashekar and extorted money from them. He randomly selected his victims, and threatened them saying petitions were pending against them. He told them to pay him to close their cases. He would later assure them that the technical wing of Lokayukta will file a B report without conducting any inquiry.

The government official, Ramadas, who got a call from Reddy, filed the complaint.

Reddy also took the name of Keshav Rao, claiming to be an ADGP-rank officer in the Lokayukta. He has many cases against him in Electronic City, Begur, Hebbagodi, Attibele, Jigani and other police station limits. He is said to have cheated government officers in Siddapura and High Grounds police limits as well.

After his arrest, Reddy told the investigators that he had cheated 36 officials in Karnataka. The police are yet to ascertain the total amount he collected from his victims.

Medical Eduction Minister Sharanprakash Patil at a meeting to review preparations to tackle JN.1, at Vikasa Soudha in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL


CASE LOAD
148
Positive cases reported on Jan 2
2.02%
Positivity Rate
1,144
Active cases (23 in ICU, 32 in general bed, 1,089 in home isolation)
1
Death
7,305
Tests done
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Minister takes stock, dists to set aside 50 beds for Covid

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MEDICAL Education and Skill Development Minister Dr Sharanprakash Patil on Tuesday said the central government has given 30,000 Covid-19 vaccines to Karnataka and all precautionary measures have been taken to ensure there is no shortage. He also issued orders to reserve 50 beds for Covid-19 patients in all districts.

The minister was speaking at Vikasa Soudha, where a meeting was held to review preparedness for the new variant JN.1, with heads of various hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Medical Education department, chairman of Covid-19 Technical Advisory Committee and various other officials, including heads of 99 medical institutions and 10 super speciality hospitals in the state.

Taking note of the current bed capacity, Patil informed reporters that there are a total of 18,141 beds in medical colleges, 10,000 in government hospitals and 11,500 in hospitals that come under the Health and Family Welfare department.

"Variant JN.1 infection is gradually decreasing in Kerala. Though WHO and many health experts have stated that the JN.1 sub-variant is unlikely to cause serious health problems, I've instructed officials to be vigilant, take precautionary measures and create awareness," he said.

Dr Patil added that every eligible person in the state need not take the Covid-19 vaccine. "Those who are 60 years and above, suffering from chronic disease and who missed their doses will be allowed to take the vaccine from Wednesday," he said, adding that the government has not issued any directives for new vaccines.

The minister also took stock of the availability of medicines, oxygen cylinders, beds, ICU beds, ventilators and other equipment. On deaths in the state, Dr Patil denied Covid-19 as the cause. He said the patients were suffering from various diseases. "Nine out of 10 people were suffering from heart, kidney and other ailments, and one person from Mangaluru was alcoholic and was not vaccinated," Patil explained.

Dr CN Manjunath, director, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research and a member of the advisory committee, said, "The JN.1 variant is a virus of interest and not a virus of concern. Precautions need to be taken, especially for people with comorbidities. Those with symptoms should get them checked. The state is well prepared, there is no need to panic."

Woman, 2 kids found dead

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A woman and her two children died under mysterious circumstances at their residence in Dasarakoppalu near Hassan on Tuesday. Additional Superintendent of Police Thammiah, who visited the spot, said the deceased have been identified as Shivamma (36) and her children Sinchana (7) and Pavana (10).

The police suspecting that the family might have committed suicide due to suffocation after inhaling the poisonous gas. They may have taken the extreme step over family problem. A source said an alleged illicit relationship is the reason for the suicide. Pension Mohalla police visited the house and shifted the bodies to mortuary at HIMS for the postmortem.

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Village accountant caught taking bribe

Bengaluru: A Village Accountant has been arrested by the Lokayukta police after he was allegedly caught red-handed, accepting a bribe of Rs 70,000 in Bengaluru on Tuesday. The accused, Jattappa of Konena Agrahara village panchayat, had allegedly demanded a bribe to transfer the property khata. Unable to pay the bribe, HM Prakash filed a complaint with the Lokayukta police, who laid a trap after registering the complaint under the Prevention of Corruption Act. According to an official release, Jattappa had allegedly demanded a bribe of Rs 2 lakh from the complainant, to transfer a property khata to the daughter of the deceased, who was the complainant's brother. He was caught accepting an installment of the bribe. Further investigations are on.

'Depressed' techie jumps off 21st floor, dies

Bengaluru: A 24-year-old techie commits suicide by jumping off from the 21st floor of a residential apartment complex in Bellandur area. It is suspected that the techie was suffering from depression, which could be the reason for the suicide. The police have identified the victim as Sarang Kulkarni, a resident of an apartment in Sarjapura Road. The deceased was a native of Dharwad and his parents lived in JP Nagar area. The incident took place on Tuesday morning, when he jumped from the 21st floor of the building where he was staying. He was also said to have been irregular to work for the last two months. Further investigations are on.

Man steals autorickshaws to repay loans, held

Bengaluru: The Girinagar police arrested an auto dealer-turned-thief and his associate, for stealing autorickshaws in the city. The auto dealer Javed, was a native of Mysuru where he took loans that he was unable to come out of. He then moved to Bengaluru and started to working as an auto driver, to repay the loans. Since his earnings was not sufficient to pay off the loans, he came with a plan to steal autorickshaws, and convinced his son's friend Syed Nadeem, to be his partner in crime. Javed would unlock the auto handle, and Nadeem would sit on the driver's seat. Javed would then push the stolen auto with his leg unil they were far enough. They would change the registration numbers, and sell the auto. The Police recovered 3 autos worth around Rs 7.5 lakh.

Crime graph zooms, 22.3K more cases filed in 2023

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THERE is an increase of 22,331 registered crime cases in 2023 over 2022 in Bengaluru city, which recorded 68,518 crimes in 2023, compared to 46,187 cases in 2022.

The State police chief's strict instructions to all police stations to register all complaints received on 112 and e-FIRs is believed to be the reason for the increase in number of cases registered in 2023. Police stations had received warnings of strict action if they refused to file complaints.

There is a rise in NDPS cases registered in 2023, as compared to 2022. Under the NDPS category, in 2022, the city police had seized 4,228kg of narcotic substances worth Rs 92.70 crore. In 2023, police recovered 39,156kg of drugs worth Rs 103 crore. Police arrested 4,399 drug peddlers, including 99 foreign nationals.

Under gambling, 147 cases were registered for cricket betting, and 229 accused were arrested. Under COTPA, 1,270 cases were registered and action was taken against 1,388 people. Following the Attibele fire cracker shop accident, police booked 39 cases under the Explosive Substances Act, and arrested 49 people. In 2023, 92 cases were registered against foreign nationals for overstaying and other violations.

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Construction of five model Anganwadi Centres (Nand Ghars) in the five Islands of Andrott, Chetlat, Kadmat, Agatti and Minicoy

LTTD PLANT, KADMAT

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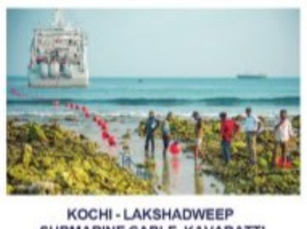
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AYUSHMAN AROGYA MANDIR, KALPENI.

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Shri. Praful Patel
Administrator, UTs of Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu and Lakshadweep
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Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Priyank Kharge directed zilla panchayat chief executive officers to visit taluks and gram panchayat offices every week to ensure effective implementation of government programmes

● POLITICAL SLUGFEST OVER ARREST OF HINDU ACTIVIST IN HUBBALLI ● BJP PROTEST ACROSS STATE TODAY

Dr G says govt just reviewing old cases, not targeting anyone

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KARNATAKA Home Minister G Parameshwara on Tuesday said the state government is reviewing all old pending cases and the detention of karsevak Srikant Poojary in Hubballi was part of that process, and that it came up at the time of Ram Mandir inauguration is just a coincidence.

He told reporters that it is not good to keep pending cases piling up. "I had directed police officials to review old cases and dispose of them, either through conviction or releasing the accused, depending on the case. In Hubballi, the police were reviewing 32 old cases and this too came up," he said.

If only the Kar Sevak case had been taken up, Bharatiya Janata Party could have blamed the government. But other old cases too have come up for review. "BJP is politicising the issue which is not correct. Also, it is not being done only in Hubballi, but across the state. SPs and police commissioners are doing it," he said.

Asked if the Hubballi police commissioner updated him about it, the minister said, "This is a routine process and why should they update us? It does not require our directions or permission. They have the law books in their hands."

On the state cabinet giving relief to Deputy Chief Minister and Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee president DK Shivakumar in CBI cases, he said the cabinet took the decision as the chief minister BS Yediyurappa had given the case to the CBI orally. "That is why we handed it over to the Lokayukta. This is between CBI and Lokayukta. It does not come to our jurisdiction," he added.

He said many have appealed to drop cases against Kannada activists and farmers. "But we cannot do that suo motu. It has to be done through law. We have constituted a cabinet subcommittee that will review the recommendations given by our officers. If the accused are found to be innocent, we will act accordingly," he said.

When pointed out that cases against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar for holding the Mekedatu Yatra during Covid were withdrawn, but not those filed against party MLAs, Parameshwara said they have set some guidelines and the decision will be taken based on that. Certain cases have been recommended to be continued, he added.

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> What should be done to those who do wrong? Should they be freed just like that? We have directed (the police) to dispose of old cases
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> Chief Minister Siddaramaiah

Vijayendra calls arrest misadventure by Congress govt

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> State BJP chief BY Vijayendra

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OPPOSITION Bharatiya Janata Party members staged demonstrations across Karnataka, including the capital Bengaluru, on Wednesday to protest the arrest of a Hindu activist in a 31-year-old case related to violence in Hubballi after the demolition of Babri Masjid in Ayodhya in 1992.

State BJP president BY Vijayendra said reopening old cases on Ram devotees in Hubballi exposes the cheap mentality of the Congress government which has insulted the sentiments of Hindus at a time when the entire country is celebrating the auspicious occasion of the opening of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya.

"Congress government has always put hurdles on the construction of Ram Mandir at every step from the beginning. As if that was not enough, instead of making amends, even now it is trying to stop Ram bhakts from celebrating during this joyous occasion. Minority appeasement policies of Congress have always been a threat to Hindus and their religious customs, and traditions. Unfortunately, Congress prefers politics over religion," he said.

Speaking to the media in Bengaluru, the BJP leader said they have given a call to the party workers to stage protests against the "anti-Hindu" Congress government on Wednesday.

Terming the arrest of the Hindu activist as a misadventure by the government, the BJP leader said the Chief Minister and Home Minister would be responsible for any repercussions.

Former CM Basavaraj Bommai said the Congress cannot tolerate the construction of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya. What's the real intention behind arresting Hindu workers during such a momentous occasion celebrated by the entire nation?" he said. Politics of hatred will certainly lead to the end of Congress's rule in the state, he said.

BJP state general Secretary and former minister Sunil Kumar dared the government to arrest all karsevkas in Karnataka. The BJP leader said he had also participated in the karseva and he is willing to give the list of all karsevaks to the government.

Meanwhile, Congress leaders hit back at the BJP by saying police are taking action as per the law.

Poojary not a dacoit, just participated in a mass movement, says Joshi

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MEANWHILE, the state unit of BJP has called for a state-wide protest on Wednesday against the arrest of Srikant Poojary in connection with the 1992 violence in Hubballi. Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R Ashoka will lead the protest. Party workers are expected to protest in front of the town police station here.

However, the police said they did not receive any intimation regarding the protest till Tuesday night. However, elaborate security arrangements have been made. No permission has been given to any procession here, a senior police officer said.

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi condemned the arrest of Poojary and said he had only participated in a mass movement. "He is not a dacoit. In the recent past, many cases against BJP workers have been withdrawn. However, this case did not come to our notice. There was no need to arrest Poojary. He is a poor autorickshaw driver and the only breadwinner in his family," Joshi said.

Members of the SSK community have extended their support to the protest. Former MLA and community leader Ashok Katwe said the Congress government is using police against Ram bhakts. Poojary did not indulge in rioting.

Meanwhile, replying to a question in Koppal, Siddaramaiah said the BJP leaders, who want a public holiday to be declared on January 22 for the inauguration of Ram Mandir in Ayodhya, should make an appeal to the Centre in this regard.

On the guest lecturers' protest, he said, "We have spoken to them regarding their demands. Despite that they are continuing their protest. They want their services to be regularised, but it would be difficult for the government to fulfil this demand.

Siddaramaiah said the process of providing drought relief has started and Rs 2,000 will be provided to farmers for crop loss now.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah pays tribute to Sri Siddeshwara Swamji on his first death anniversary in Vijayapura on Tuesday | EXPRESS

When Advani is ignored, no invite for Siddu not an issue: Savadi

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CONSECRATION OF RAM MANDIR

IN a veiled attack against the top RSS and BJP leadership, former DyCM Laxman Savadi has said when the real architect of the Ram Mandir movement, LK Advani, has been asked not to attend the consecration of the temple in Ayodhya on January 22, the issue of CM Siddaramaiah not being invited is not an issue.

"BJP always says 'Hindu, Hindu' only before elections. And when it wins the election, the party leaders say we are mundhu (in front) and you (others) are hindu (behind)," Savadi said in Bengaluru on Tuesday.

"Everyone was approached by them (BJP leadership) when donations were collected to build the Ram Mandir, but no one is being remembered by them when the temple is ready for inauguration now," he charged.

Savadi went on to say that RSS leaders had collected Rs 10 lakh from him as donation for the temple in the past. "Now there is no invitation for anybody. Everything in BJP is a kind of one-man army these days. What morality does the BJP have to ask Advani not to attend the inauguration when the entire credit for creating the Ram Mandir should actually go to him," he added.

DKS convenes meet to discuss Cong preparations for LS polls on Jan 10

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

CONGRESS seems to have realised that its run for the Lok Sabha elections in the state will not be as easy as it thought when it came to power with a thumping majority in the Assembly polls in May.

Congress state president DK Shivakumar has now called a meeting of district ministers, observers, working presidents, AICC secretaries, PCC vice-presidents, Assembly and Council members on January 10 to discuss preparation for the elections. The polls are crucial for the Grand Old Party, which won just one seat in the 2019 elections.

Shivakumar told *TNIE*, "We will get reports and feedback from observers. We will discuss in detail as to how to take this important campaign forward. We will also work towards getting prepared for our campaign. We are planning to release our list of candidates by January-end." Working president Saleem Ahmed said, "The meeting will discuss preparations for the polls in detail. We will take the success of guarantee schemes to all districts and constituencies across the state."

CM Siddaramaiah and state party leaders are headed to Delhi on Wednesday and poll preparation is expected to come up for discussion on Thursday. Appointments to boards and corporations are likely to be discussed. The leaders will also brainstorm on senior party leader Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra 2.0, sources said.

Many experts have pointed to the lack of winnable candidates in Congress. Saleem Ahmed, however, said the party will field candidates in all the 28 constituencies and the party will do well. "We will make people realise the failures of the Union government over the last ten years. The saffron party's inability to provide jobs to 2 crore youth, will be the focus of the meetings," he added.

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> DK Shivakumar, DyCM and KPCC president

AT 852 TONNES, KSDL SEES RECORD PRODUCTION

BENGALURU: State-owned Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Limited (KSDL) manufactured 852 tonnes of detergents valued at Rs 123.42 crore in December 2023, marking the highest production in the past 40 years. In a bid to expand the market for its products, KSDL has taken several measures, including introducing three shifts of work in the detergents production section instead of the earlier single shift. Besides, the number of machines deployed for making detergents has been increased to three in place of one that was previously used to operate, read a statement issued by the office of Industries Minister MB Patil. These steps have been taken to make KSDL competitive and profitable similar to leading private players. Earlier, the primary focus was on the marketing of soaps. But, a few months ago it was decided to concentrate on expanding the market presence for detergents also and this has yielded an inspiring result, Patil stated. It had posted a profit of Rs 118 during the previous year. So far, it has seen transactions worth Rs 1,171.07 crore in the nine months of the current fiscal. Patil has expressed confidence that KSDL will reach the target of Rs 1,404 crore set for the year 2023-24. **ENS**

Madhu slams BJP for seeking his resignation

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MINISTER for School Education Madhu Bangarappa on Tuesday hit out at the BJP leaders for seeking his resignation in connection with the cheque bounce case.

Terming the issue personal, Madhu said, "What morality do they (BJP leaders) have to question me over the issue? They misused Rs 40,000 crore during the Covid-19 pandemic and are now demanding my resignation."

Speaking at his residence on Tuesday, Madhu said, "Leader of Opposition R Ashoka, state BJP president BY Vijayendra, former state BJP chief and MP Nalin Kumar Kateel, and MLC Ravi Kumar are demanding my resignation. I want to remind Ashoka that BJP MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal has accused the previous BJP government of indulging in corruption to the tune of Rs 40,000 crore during the pandemic. Ashoka is an opposition leader who made profit out of people's death."

Reminding Vijayendra that Yatnal made allegations even against BS Yediyurappa, Madhu said, "Has Vijayendra reacted to the allegations? He is only paying some people to Tweet. He should not interfere in my personal matters. I did not send my father to jail by accepting money from somebody else. What morality do you (Vijayendra) have to ask for my resignation?"

Madhu alleged that Ashoka and other BJP leaders indulged in corruption during the Covid-19 pandemic and hence they should tender resignations to their respective posts. He further alleged, "Kateel, who resigned as the state president post over BJP defeat in the election, should remember that if my father had not joined the BJP, these leaders would not have existed. Kateel also indulged in politics over death."

2024: KARNATAKA ENERGY SECTOR NEEDS A RELOOK

STARTING POINT 2024

THE Electricity Act 2003 was enacted to consolidate laws relating to generation, transmission, distribution, trading and use of electricity, and generally to take measures conducive to development of the electricity industry.

It has been two decades since the Act came into force. Regulatory commission was established under The Karnataka Electricity Reforms Act, 1999. We have witnessed a shift from government-managed boards to licensees under the regulatory regime. However, a shift from the control of government to a regulatory commission has not happened in the real spirit of Electricity Act 2003.

Pursuant to provisions of the Act, the Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC) has issued regulations relating to electricity purchase and procurement of distribution licensee and determination of retail tariff. However the full potential of the electricity sector remains unrealised.

MG PRABHAKAR
Energy expert, former member, Advisory Committee of Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC)

Supply companies have become financially weak and have been incurring losses on account of subsidised supply. In this context, the Karnataka government needs to relook at the constraints which have rendered the sectors unworkable. More importantly, as high-tension (HT) industrial consumption has been reduced over the years since the industries are resorting to procurement of electricity under open access and have taken up captive generation, revenues of distribution companies are under severe financial stress. The paying class of consumers like HT consumers' contribution is very important since almost 50% of generated electricity goes to un-metered consumers.

Our economic activities are focused on urban-centric development, which deprives the rural areas of facilities, which leads to the latter remaining underdeveloped. Such situations can be avoided only if allocation of resources is equal to both urban and rural areas.

Although Karnataka has installed generation capacity of 32,000 MW, current generation is not meeting the energy requirement of about 17,000 million units (MU) per day. To address the demand-supply gap, the government has invoked Section 11 of the Electricity Act directing all power generators to generate to full capacity and supply the entire power to the state. But the real crux of the problem will start from February-May, when we run short of power. There will be more demand across India — from industry and domestic consumers, besides the agricultural sector needing additional power supply. The state will face serious problems due to power generation inadequacy. How the government is going to handle it is very crucial.

Apart from additional solar generation, Karnataka also needs to ramp up its thermal power generation. As it depends heavily on coal as fuel, the shortage in coal has been exacerbated by inadequate planning and demand forecasting. The government needs to look over the horizon. Karnataka generates 8,079 MW of solar, 5,250 MW of wind, 5,020 MW of thermal, and 3,798 MW of hydro energy. Dependence on coal should gradually reduce. Alternate sources of generation should be explored urgently.

Providing solar irrigation pump sets and calling for tenders for more is a welcome move, but the pace of progress and management is very important.

Management of resources is the need of the hour. Revenue generation is important, but that should not be the only thing the government should concentrate on.

While looking at other states for chalking a guarantee scheme, the government must also look at the best examples that can be adopted to improve Karnataka's power situation. Like Maharashtra, in Karnataka, consumers of electricity should be made participants. Consumers are given certain units free. But if a consumer saves anything in that free power, she/he should get credit. Imagine if there are 1,000 units allotted, and if 300 units are saved by the consumer, a cash equivalent of 300 units should be credited to the consumer's account. Ultimately the beneficiary takes the responsibility, but that is missing in Karnataka.

The government should look at investment in a holistic way. It should remove its blinkers and stop looking at things in fractions. They should have a broad horizon and form a team of experts who give suggestions and directions for robust development.

The brutal killing of Swami Laxmanananda Saraswati, which led to one of the worst communal violence in Odisha, is back in focus after nearly 15 years with the Orissa High Court issuing notice to the state government to show cause why a CBI probe should not be ordered into his murder

SHARMILA MAY MERGE YSRTP WITH CONG TOMORROW

Sources say YSRTP chief might settle for a PCC chief's post and Rajya Sabha membership

IREDDY SRINIVAS REDDY
@ Hyderabad

YSRTP chief **YS Sharmila** will travel to Delhi where she is expected to announce the merger of her party with the Congress on Thursday.

Talk of Sharmila merging the YSRTP with the Congress had created a buzz during the recent Telangana Assembly elections, but fizzled out for reasons known only to the leadership of the two parties. However, speculation of the two parties closing ranks continued. If sources are to be believed, Sharmila will announce the merger of her party with the Congress at the AICC headquarters in the presence of party president Mallakarjun Kharge, and senior leaders Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi.

According to sources, the Congress high command has given three options to Sharmila for the merger. The first one is the offer of the APCC chief's post and Rajya Sabha membership from either Telangana or Karnataka in July. The second option is to take charge of the PCC and contest the election for Lok Sabha from Kadapa. The third option is the post of national general secretary and membership of Rajya Sabha.

The sources said Sharmila might settle for the PCC chief's post and Rajya Sabha membership. She will have to lead the party in the ensuing Assembly and Lok Sabha elections in Andhra Pradesh.

The Congress has remained quiescent after the division of the state in 2014 and since then it could not spring back to life. Most of the Congress leaders either joined the Telugu Desam Party or the YSRCP.

Now, with Sharmila at the helm, the party might see a makeover. She had campaigned for her brother and Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy in the state, when the CBI arrested him in a disproportionate assets case.

Jagan is likely to find the going tough with Sharmila remaining a stumbling block for him in his march to capture power for the second time in the state. Sharmila is gearing up to campaign against her brother to keep her end of the bargain with the Congress.

It is expected that the ruling party MLAs who are not likely to be nominated in the upcoming Assembly elections might switch loyalty to Sharmila after she officially merges her party with the Congress. Already, Mangalagiri MLA Alla Ramakrishna Reddy declared his support for her, creating quite a sensation in AP.

Now there is curiosity as to who will attend the ceremony from TPCC in Delhi on 4 January at the AICC office in Delhi. One wonders how TPCC president and Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, who avoided reacting to Sharmila's overtures of merging her party with the Telangana Congress, would now react to her decision to join the ranks of the party in AP.

According to sources, it is not clear if Revanth will attend the ceremony in Delhi.

Sharmila, after starting her party in Telangana, took out a padayatra across the state, and therefore she is more a Telangana leader now and if she merges her party, it is a Telangana leader who is merging her party. In such a case, Revanth should be around.

Unlike other Telangana Congress leaders, Revanth has many contacts in AP and might even be drafted for campaigning in the neighbouring state.

Rice procurement still a challenge for Siddu govt

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

THE Siddaramaiah government's pride 'Nudidante Nadeda Sarkara' has not materialised for the rice distribution guarantee, thanks to a number of challenges in procurement, and other circumstances. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who has been a stickler for fulfilling poll promises made by the Congress, has had to rely on cash payout instead of rice.

The Karnataka government had been working hard for about seven months to procure rice to fulfil its Anna Bhagya poll promise of 5kg rice per head, but a drop in output for the period ending December 31 has resulted in a 48lakh tonne shortfall of rice across the nation. With the market price of rice remaining high, the state may not be able to procure the required quantity for its PDS scheme and be content to dole out cash.

DV Prasad, former chairman, Food Corporation of India (FCI), quoted statistics and explained to TNIE, "The situation looks grim, with a shortfall in rice surplus states. In Chhattisgarh, there was a drop from 51.6 lakh tonne to 38.5 lakh tonne, Telangana saw a drop from 37 lakh tonne to 27 lakh tonne. In Uttar Pradesh, procurement dropped from 27 lakh tonne to 23 lakh tonne, and in Madhya Pradesh, from 20.5 lakh tonne to 11.6 lakh tonne. The overall shortfall is about 48 lakh tonne, so it could be difficult for the state to procure rice and it may have to continue with cash transfer."

The state government cannot procure grains, and is dependent on FCI to procure rice. It can only source it from the Union government.

Food and Civil Supplies Minister K H Muniyappa tried several options, contacting rice millers, cooperatives and state governments, but has not been able to get the required quantity. Time and again, he expressed confidence that he would get the requisite supplies, but encountered a number of hurdles – the FCI said it would not be able to give Karnataka the required stocks, and international price of rice increased. He held several meetings with stakeholders but could not procure the required quantity.

FCI and the Centre will have no problem procuring rice for PDS, but will in all probability, have no surplus rice to give to state governments for state-sponsored rice schemes, informed sources said.

Opposition leader R Ashoka told TNIE, "This government is not doing anything in an organized and planned manner. The leaders did not ascertain whether they would be able to keep their word, but went ahead with promises to the people. They also claimed falsely that they have delivered their guarantees, but even now, they are struggling and this is the fate of all their schemes. The people will realise it soon."

JDS leader HD Kumaraswamy said, "People are abusing them in villages. They are not able to fulfil any of their guarantees. No guarantees is working in their favour for the parliamentary polls. They are under a delusion."

11 HELD IN POCSO CASE

Minor girl from Odisha raped in Vizag

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VISAKHAPATNAM police have arrested 11 people in connection with the alleged rape of a minor girl, who hails from Odisha, and launched a manhunt to nab two others involved in the case. Stating that the two absconding accused are suspected to be in Jharkhand, police said special teams have been formed to nab the duo and bring them back to Vizag in a day or two.

According to police, the ghastly incident occurred between December 17 and 22 last year. The girl, who works as a domestic help, was staying with her parents at Kancharapalem in the city. The girl's parents had moved to the city from Panimundra village in Kalahandi district six months ago. He father worked as a watchman in the apartment.

Police said the girl was first picked up by her friend Imran from the house where she was working on December 17. Subsequently, her father filed a missing complaint with the police on December 18. The girl was then traced to her native village and brought to the city and reunited with her parents. She confided with her parents and told them about the harrowing tale that unfolded between December 17 and 22. Following this, another complaint was lodged with the police.

According to the girl's statement, her friend took her to the RK Beach on December 17 and raped her. He later called his friend, who also committed the crime. The minor revealed that she was taken to different lodges in the city by the other accused.

A case has been booked under the POCSO Act.

LS polls: Political overtones mark PM's visit to TN

T MURUGANANDHAM & JOSE K JOSEPH @ Chennai/Tiruchy

Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets music students who sang state anthem 'Tamil Thai Valthu', as Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin looks on, at the inauguration of the new terminal of Tiruchy International Airport on Tuesday | M K ASHOK KUMAR

WITH just months left for the Lok Sabha elections, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin, while displaying a brief camaraderie, made a strong political pitch for their respective parties, the BJP and the DMK.

While the PM said the Centre's funding for Tamil Nadu has jumped nearly 2.5 times in the last 10 years and Rs 120 lakh crore was given to states, Stalin hailed the Justice party that laid the foundation for the Dravidian movement and championed his social justice-led Dravidian model of governance as one that aims to ensure everything for everyone.

The PM on Tuesday inaugurated the new terminal of Tiruchy International Airport and laid foundation stone and dedicated to the nation 20 projects worth Rs 20,140 crore related to air and seaports, railway, highway, petroleum and natural gas, atomic energy and higher education in Tamil Nadu.

Speaking at a public event in Tiruchy, the CM appealed to the PM to declare the rain that caused massive destruction in Tamil Nadu a natural calamity and immediately provide NDRF funds to facilitate relief and restoration work. "The calamity is very severe. Don't think that I am repeatedly making this demand," Stalin said, adding that it was up to him to convey the will of the people. Only the state governments, being close to the people, have the onus of providing them education, medical, and other necessary assistance. Putting forth a request and thereby asserting the state's right is only "the demand of the people and not a political rhetoric", Stalin said, while passionately making his submission.

EXPRESS READ

Priyank directs officials to visit GPs every week

Bengaluru: Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (RDPR) Minister **Priyank Kharge** directed zilla panchayat chief executive officers (CEO) to visit taluks and gram panchayat offices every week to ensure effective implementation of government programmes. During a review meeting with the CEOs on Tuesday, Priyank directed the senior officers to issue notices to those officials who do not follow the government orders and take decisions on their own. The minister also instructed senior officers not to delay in taking action in cases of departmental inquiries and Lokayukta cases against panchayat development officers and other officials. The departmental inquiries have been pending against 253 panchayat development officers, 130 panchayat secretaries, and 32 other officials for more than a year.

Kerala min retracts jibe over PM-bishops meet

T'Puram: It was a close call for Kerala Cultural Affairs Minister **Saji Cherian**, after his remarks against the bishops who had participated in a Christmas luncheon hosted by the PM in Delhi sparked a row. If his controversial remarks on the Constitution had cost him his cabinet berth in 2022, this time around the CPM leadership made a timely intervention, prompting the minister to withdraw certain remarks. Cherian too realised his goof-up and chose to settle the issue, and save the government from an embarrassing situation prior to the Lok Sabha polls. The silent tussle between the Church and the CPM over BJP's outreach programme for the Christian community has reached a boiling point with the minister's remarks.

Two lakh acres of forest land encroached in K'taka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

FOREST, Environment and Ecology Minister Eshwar Khandre on Tuesday said that two lakh acres of forest land have been encroached in the state, most of them in Shivamogga and Uttara Kannada districts.

At a closed-door meeting with officials on Tuesday, Khandre directed them to clear the encroachments at the earliest on a priority basis. He said there are Central and state government lands for forest conservation, yet it is shocking to note that there is encroachment happening.

"Encroaching forest land is a crime and cases should be booked against encroachers. The first priority in clearing encroachments should be in areas around Bengaluru, especially in Kothanur, where forest land worth Rs 400 crore was encroached and converted to revenue land by the revenue department's sub-divisional officer and Tahsildar," he said, adding that while a case has been booked, the land is yet to be recovered.

He added that increasing encroachment was also one of the reasons for the rise in man-animal conflict. In the last three months, around 2,000 acres of encroachments have been cleared, but more needs to be done.

Khandre pointed out that there are around 13,155 cases involving 31,864 acres of land. Of this, in 7,000 cases, land was granted. The nodal officers have been directed to check and dispose of the cases at the earliest. He also told the forest officials not to harrass farmers who had encroached up to three acres of forest land before the 1980s, but instead to first target the bigger encroachers.

He told the officials to prepare a list of encroachments -- district-wise, sector-wise, division-wise and circle-wise. Based on the details, the next course of action will be decided.

Meanwhile, Khandre said that on getting cabinet approval, the forest department will open a three-month window for people possessing wildlife articles to surrender them. He added that a discussion has been held with the law department.

6.47 L have Vaikuntha Dwara Darshan at Tirumala

TIRUMALA: A record number of 6.47 lakh devotees had Vaikuntha Dwara Darshan of Lord Venkateshwara in Tirumala from December 23 to January 1. TTD EO AV Dharma Reddy said devotees were provided with comfortable Srivari Darshan through time-slotted tokens to avoid prolonged waiting in queues. He said that during the 10-day period, 19,255 VIP break protocol tickets were issued. Similarly, 6,858 tickets were booked online. A total of 2.25 lakh Rs-300 Special Entry Darshan tickets were issued online, while 4,23,500 timed Sarva Darshan tokens were issued. TTD's Hundi logged Rs 40.20 crore in collection. **ENS**

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'Har Ek Kaam Desh Ke Naam'

RRI winds up platinum jubilee celebrations

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

DR JITENDRA Singh, Union Minister of State (independent charge), Ministry of Science and Technology, said India's growth will be technology-driven, and recent science success stories have accelerated the country's ascent to Amrit Kaal in 2047. He suggested that scientists and scientific institutions must integrate and work for the country's collective growth.

The minister was speaking at the closing ceremony of the platinum jubilee celebrations of Raman Research Institute (RRI) on Tuesday. The institute organised several international and national conferences, workshops, scientific talks by eminent scientists, colloquia and other activities to celebrate 75 years of the institute's scientific journey. "Chandrayaan-3, Aditya L1 and the recent XPoSat mission, in which scientists from RRI were involved, are all India's science success stories that have convinced the world of our scientific capabilities. The ascent of India's growth has already started," emphasised Dr Singh.

Dr Anil Kakodkar, Chancellor, Homi Bhabha National Institute, and former chairman, Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) said, "Today, the bigger driver is research-led industries, where frontier research penetrates industrial operations. I look forward to an India where industries are churning out research-led products which are ahead of time. And this is where institutions like RRI can make a big difference," said Dr Kakodkar.

IN THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
(Original Jurisdiction)
In the matter of the Companies Act, 1956
and
IN THE MATTER OF M/S. SUDARSAN CHITS (INDIA) LTD (IN. LIQN.)
C.P. No : 9/1981

E-AUCTION NOTICE

In pursuance of the Hon'ble High Court order dated 05.08.2022 passed in Official Liquidator's Report No.289/2022 online competitive bids are hereby invited for sale of below described assets through e-auction scheduled on **14.03.2024 from 14.00 hours to 17.00 hours.** The entire e-auction catalogue i.e. "Terms and Conditions" of sale containing the schedules for giving full particulars of events of e-auction, guidelines for online registration, etc., are available on Rail Tel Corporation of India Ltd. website: www.railtelindia.com and can be viewed by clicking on the following URL of https://olauction.enivida.com and Ministry's website at www.mca.gov.in. Inspection of the assets can be had at the premises situated at Govinda Building, Second Floor, M G Road, Panjim in the state of Goa on **08.02.2024** between 10 a.m to 4 p.m. The Official Liquidator subject to the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala reserves the right to accept or reject the highest offer and also put the assets for resale. The EMD as above need to be paid through online mode at least five days before the date of e-auction.

Lot No.	Description of Properties	EMD
I	75 sq.mtr (807 sq.ft.) building ie. Room No.211 & 212 situated at Govinda Building, Second Floor, M G Road, Panjim in the state of Goa.	3,00,000

The intending bidders may contact Sri. Gagan T.S., Sr. Manager, M/s.RailTel Corporation of India,Bengaluru on Mobile No: 8448288987/89 & Smt. Sujatha 8448288994/86 for doubts/ clarifications , if any, on the e-auction procedure and Sri.N.Gopalakrishnan, Official of the office of the Official Liquidator on **08.02.2024** Mobile No: 9947263099 .between 9 a.m.to 5.30 p.m for details about the properties.

Dated this 11th Day of December, 2023

Sd/-, OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR
HIGH COURT OF KERALA, COMPANY LAW BHAVAN
3rd Floor, B.M.C. Road, Thrikkakara P.O., Kochi - 21,
Phone No.2422889(O)

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Chamarajanagar - 571 313. Ph.: 08226 - 222201/ 02
Email: contact@jsshchnagar.in
Website: www.jsshchnagar.in

REQUIRED

No: MED-II/HOS/EST/O1/2010-11 Date: 19.12.2023

JSS Medical Service Trust is having a 100-bedded hospital in Chamarajanagar. Applications are invited from professionals for a long-term association with the organization.

Position	Qualification	Experience
Medical Superintendent	MBBS with postgraduate degree or PG degree in Hospital Management is preferred	Minimum 5 years' experience in administration in Multi-Specialty Hospital
Consultant - Pediatrics	MD / DNB / Dch	Minimum 2 years in any Multi Specialty Hospital
Consultant - Surgery	MS / DNB	Minimum 2 years in any Multi Specialty Hospital
Pharmacist	B Pharma/ D Pharma	Minimum 2 years in any Multi Specialty Hospital
Medical Record Technician	DMRT	Minimum 2 years in any Multi Specialty Hospital

Remuneration is on par with market standards, please send your bio-data to **the Director, Medical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Circle, Mysuru - 570004,** or email to **med@jssonline.org**

Sd/-
Executive Member

Kempegowda INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BENGALURU

Name and Address of the entity seeking Proposal:
BANGALORE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIMITED
BIAL Project Office, Kempegowda International Airport, Devanahalli, Bengaluru - 560 300
Web: www.bengaluruairport.com

NOTICE TO EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

S.No.	Tender Title	Short description of Scope of Work
1	Construction of Airport Terminal Metro Station (ATMS)	CIVIL, ARCHITECTURAL & FINISHING WORKS (PACKAGE -2).
2		DESIGN & BUILD OF CANOPY ROOFING WITH SUPPORT STRUCTURE & ASSOCIATED CIVIL WORKS (PACKAGE -3).
3		SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING & COMMISSIONING OF MEPF (HVAC, ELECTRICAL, LOW VOLTAGE SYSTEMS, PHE AND FIREFIGHTING) & BMS WORKS (PACKAGE -4).

Pre Qualification Criteria & other Information: Available on BIAL website www.bengaluruairport.com under Tenders section.
Submission Due Date & Time for all the above: 17th January 2024 at IST 17:00 Hours.
Note: Any Further Addendums to this EOI shall be made available in BIAL website.
Applicants who are interested shall express their interest through E–Mail: projecttenders@bialairport.com. To submit EOI, register and login to BIAL E-Tendering website (https://www.bialtenders.com) **event IDs: 1) 2622 2) 2623 3) 2624.**
Name and address of the entity seeking EOIs:
Vice President – Procurement & Contracts
Bangalore International Airport Ltd.,
BIAL Project Office,
Kempegowda International Airport,
Devanahalli, Bengaluru - 560 300
Email: projecttenders@bialairport.com
Phone No: 080 – 66782431
www.bengaluruairport.com

DEUTSCHE BANK AG

Appendix IV [Rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of **Deutsche Bank AG**, India ("Bank") under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **24/08/2023** calling upon the borrower **Mr. Praveen Choudhary and Mrs. Sowmya Choudhary ("Borrower")** to repay the outstanding amount as mentioned in the notice being **Rs.66,43,719/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh Forty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen only)**, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 9 of the said act on this **30th day of December of the year 2023**.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank for an amount of **Rs.66,43,719/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh Forty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Nineteen only)** and interest thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property

Schedule of The Property (As Per Absolute Sale Deed dated : 01-03-2018)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site no. 8, formed out of property nos. 79 and 80, old no 35 situated at "Unique Concorde Phase 2", Kammasandra village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 1600 square feet and **Bounded on the: East by:** Site No. 9, **West by:** 30 Feet Wide Road, **North by:** Site No. 99, **South by:** 25 Feet Wide Road.

Date: 03.01.2024 **Dhaneshwar Koganur**
Place: Bengaluru **Authorized Officer Deutsche Bank AG**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project South, South Zone office complex, 9th Main, 9th Cross, Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru - 560 011.

No: EEP(S)/E-Procu/20/2022-23 Date: 02.01.2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Through **GOK KPP Portal** only)

The Executive Engineer, Project South, BBMP, Bengaluru invites rates on behalf of the Additional District Election Officer, BBMP (South) Bengaluru through e-Procurement Portal of the Government of Karnataka (Viz., https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Name of the Work	EMD (in ₹.)
Invitation of rates for Polling both, Counting, SVEEP, Printing and Stationery Materials, Catering, Videography, Vehicle and Shamiyana Hire and other necessary items in BBMP (South) for 2024 MP Election.	2000/-

Calendar of Events : (1) Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before 09.01.2024 at 4:00 pm (2) Tender Clarification at the Office of the Executive Engineer Project (South) on 08.01.2024 at 4:00 pm. (3) Last Date & Time for Receipt of Tenders is 09.01.2024 upto 4:00 pm (3) Financial Bid opening date 10.01.2024 at 4:30 pm. (4) This tender notice can also be seen on the BBMP Website:www.bbmp.gov.in. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

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BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal)

Bengaluru Electricity Supply Company Limited invites tender vide Enquiry No.: BESCOM/2023-24/SE0088 Dated 29.12.2023 through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal platform from eligible bidders for **"Engaging a Public Relation Agency (PRA) for the Common Media and Social Media activities of the entire Energy Sector for the effective Publicity & public interaction with Energy Sector"**.

The details of the tender and the bidding documents can be downloaded from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after **05.01.2024.** Aspiring bidders need to register in the KPP portal. Further, Bidders can take assistance with KPPP help desk +918046010000, +918068948777 or e-mail to support@eprochelpdesk.com for any issue.

Sd/-
The General Manager (Elec.), Customer Relations, BESCOM

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PEGASUS ASSETS RECONSTRUCTION PRIVATE LIMITED

55-56, 5th Floor, Free Press House, Nariman Point, Mumbai-400 021, Tel: 91-2261884700

APPENDIX IV [See Rule 8 (i)]
POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **PNB Housing Finance Ltd (PNBHFL)** under The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act) and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002 issued **Demand Notice dated 22.01.2019 calling upon the Borrower/Co-borrower/Guarantors – Mr. Kaiavara Ashok Kumar Shetty S/o Late T. Mahabala Shetty and Mrs. Sumana A Shetty W/o Kaiavara Ashok Kumar Shetty to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.1,75,95,079.75/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Five Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Seventy Nine and Paisa Seventy Five Only) due as on 22.01.2019** along with further interest at contractual rate and cost, charges and expenses within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Post which the dues of the said borrower along with underlying security interest was assigned in favour of **M/s Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited (PARPL)** acting in its capacity as Trustee of the Pegasus - 2023 Trust 3, by "PNBHFL" vide Assignment Agreement dated **30.09.2022** under the provisions of SARFAESI Act. Under Section 5 of SARFAESI ACT 2002. PARPL has stepped into the shoes of the PNBHFL Ltd and all the rights, title and interest of "PNBHFL" with respect to the financial assets along with underlying security interests, guarantees, pledges have vested with PARPL in respect of the Financial Assistance Availed by the Borrowers and PARPL exercises all its rights as the **SECURED CREDITOR.**

Pursuant having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the Authorised Officer of PARPL as per the order passed by the Hon'ble High Court, Karnataka dtd. 15.12.2023 in WP 18609/2021 has taken physical possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rule, 2002 on **28.12.2023.**

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The Borrowers/Co-borrowers/ Guarantors/ Mortgagers and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Pegasus for an amount of **Rs. 3,42,10,733/- (Rupees Three Crore Forty-Two Lakh Ten Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty-Three Only) due as on 28.12.2023** along with further interest at contractual rate and cost, charges and expenses.

Description of the Immovable Property
Details of Secured Asset

All the piece and parcel of residential building constructed on Site No. B-65, formed in Sy Nos. 21/1,56/2, 3, 4 and 55/1B situated at Thavarekere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, which layout was formed by KEB Employees Co-operative Society Limited and approved by the BDA and present location of the property is No. B-65, 3 rd Main, KEB Layout, BTM 1 st Stage, Bangalore, having PID No. 64-146-65 in all measuring east to west 40 feet and north to south 30 feet consisting of RCC roofed Ground floor, 10 squares, first Floor 8 squares and second floor 5 squares in all 23 squares building bounded on: **East by** Road, **West by** property No. B-50, **North by** property No. B-66 and **South by** property No. B-64.

Authorised Officer
Date: 28.12.2023 **Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited**
Place: Bangalore **(Acting in its capacity as Trustee of the Pegasus 2023 Trust 3)**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/WMC/TKR/3826-28 Date: 02.01.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION (THROUGH KPP PORTAL ONLY)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited. Transmission (W&M) Circle, Tumakuru invites tenders for the following works on **Partial Turnkey Basis.**

1) Bid Enquiry No. SEE/Tr(W&M)/Tkr/DCA/EE(O)/AEE-2/Enq-24 dated:01.01.2024 for Providing additional 11kV switchgear at 110/11KV S/s **Sampige**.

2) Bid Enquiry No. SEE/Tr(W&M)/Tkr/DCA/EE(O)/AEE-2/Enq-25 dated:01.01.2024 for Providing additional 11 kV switchgear at 110/11KV S/s **Kallur**.

3) Bid Enquiry No. SEE/Tr(W&M)/Tkr/DCA/EE(O)/AEE-2/Enq-26 dated:01.01.2024 for Providing additional 11kV switchgear at 110/11KV S/s **Kadaba**.

4) Bid Enquiry No. SEE/Tr(W&M)/Tkr/DCA /EE(O)/AEE-2/Enq-27 dated:01.01.2024 for Providing additional 11kV switchgear at 110/11KV S/s **Ungra**.

The detailed information regarding enquiry in E-Procurement Portal can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnaraka.gov.in** on hyperlink E Procurement KPTCL or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or after 08.01.2024.** Further details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele),
Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Siddaganga Complex,
B.H. Road, Tumakuru - 2. Ph: 0816- 2955095

IN THE COURT OF THE XXIV ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE. P&SC No. 637/2023

Between: 1. Smt. Veda Shetty W/o Late B Sanjeeva Shetty, Aged about 76 years, Mobile No. 9901407678. **2. Mr. Deepak Bellare Shetty** S/o Late B Sanjeeva Shetty, Aged about 52 years, Mobile No. 9890646666. **3. Dr. Chetak Bellare Shetty** S/o Late B Sanjeeva Shetty, Aged about 47 years, Mobile No. 998604717
All are residing at No. 1036, 20th Main, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560 010.
:: AND ::
NIL .... Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS the petitioner above named has filed the above petition under Section 372 of Indian Succession Act, for obtaining the succession Certificate in respect of the Schedule properties belonging to late B. Sanjeeva Shetty who died on 3.4.2022 at Bengaluru.

Interested parties are hereby warned to appear in this court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on the 31st day of January 2024 at 11 O'clock in forenoon to show cause against the petition failing wherein, the matter will be heard and determined exparte.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

EQUITY SHARES

ISIN Stock Symbol	Company Name	Face Value in Rs.	No. of Shares	Closing Rate as on 24.07.2023	Holding Value in Rs.
INE028A01039	Bank of Baroda	2.00	80	198.35	15,866.00
INE836H01014	McDowell Holdings Limited	10.00	20	69.25	1,385.00
INE013A01015	Reliance Capital Limited	10.00	10	10.65	106.50
INE217K01011	Reliance Home Finance Limited	10.00	10	3.20	33.00
INE002A20018	Reliance Industrial Limited	10.00	891	2487.40	22,16,273.40
INE036A01016	Reliance Infro Structure Limited	10.00	14	162.60	2276.40
INE614G01033	Reliance Power Limited	10.00	52	15.65	813.80
INE064C01022	Trident Limited	1.00	1,000	33.05	33,050.00
INE854D01024	United Spirits Limited	2.00	500	977.65	4,88,825.00
INE809C01012	VBC Industries Ltd.	10.00	100	2.24	224.00
				TOTAL	**27,58,854.10**

Given under my hand and seal of the court this 21st Day of December, 2023.
By order of the Court
Sd/- Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Petitioners
Sd/- D.P. Ashok, Advocate, No. 151/32, 3rd Main Road, Near 14th Cross, Vyalikaval, Bangalore-560003. Mobile No.: 9902398439.

SRI SEETHARAGHAVA SOUHARDA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA

BUS STAND ROAD, HOSADURGA – 577527, CHITRADURGA DIST, KARNATAKA STATE
PH: 08199 – 230447, 7022276822

PUBLIC TENDER CUM AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Notice to the public is hereby given to the effect that the immovable property described herein, which has been taken symbolic possession thereof by the Authorized Officer on 30.05.2019 in pursuance of section 13(4) rule 8(1) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act rule 2002, will be sold by inviting Tenders from the public on the date, place and time mentioned in this notice, on "AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and on the terms and conditions mentioned below.

Tenders in sealed covers are invited from the public for the purchase of Immovable property more fully described below.

Name and Addresses of the Borrowers / Guarantor / Mortgagor:

Borrowers Name:

1) Mr. K G S Prasad S/o C S Gurushanthappa residing at D No 65, Siddalinga Krupa S Nijalingappa Road, V P Extension CHITRADURGA-577501. **(SSL- 10170200000601)**

2) Mrs. Rekha Prasad W/o K G S Prasad residing at D No 65, Siddalinga Krupa S Nijalingappa Road, V P Extension CHITRADURGA-577501. **(SSL- 10170200000602)**

3) Mr. K S Gowrav S/o K G S Prasad residing at D No 65, Siddalinga Krupa S Nijalingappa Road, V P Extension CHITRADURGA-577501. **(SSL- 10170200000604)**

Guarantor / Surety Name:

1) B Basavaraju S/o S Basappa, KITTADAL At and Post, Hosadurga Tq

2) **K G Ravi S/o Gurushanthappa,** D No 65, Siddalinga Krupa, S Nijalingappa Road, V P Extension Chitradurga – 577501.

3) K G S Prasad S/o C S Gurushanthappa, D No 65, Siddalinga Krupa S Nijalingappa Road, V P Extension CHITRADURGA-577501.

Date of Auction: 06.02.2024 at 1 PM

Auction Place: Sri Seetharaghava Souharda Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Bus Stand Road, HOSADURGA - 577527

Property Visit: From 03.01.2024 to 03.02.2024

Last day of Bid: 06.02.2024 before 12 PM

EMD Amount (Returnable): Rs 5,00,000.00 (Five Lakh Only)

Enhance of Bid in Multiple: Rs 1,00,000.00 (One Lakh Only)

Reserve Price: Rs 2,64,00,000.00 (Two Crore Sixty Four Lakhs Only)

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES:

Property Details:

1) A Property Situated at Kirubanakallu Village, Chitradurga Tq and District. Bearing Chola Ghatta Grama Panchayath property No 68/1, Site No 1, e-property No 151000201000400001 Measuring E-W (9+29) / 2 Mtrs N-S (32.2+20.4+12) / 3 Mtrs Bounded as Follows : East: Road, West: Re.Sy.No.10/6, North: Road, South: Road.

2) A Property Situated at Kirubanakallu Village, Chitradurga Tq and District. Bearing Chola Ghatta Grama Panchayath property No 68/2, Site No 2, e-property No 151000201000420108 Measuring E-W (29+30) / 2 Mtrs N-S (6+26.6) / 2 Mtrs Bounded as Follows: East: Road, West: Re.Sy.No.10/6, North: Road, South: Re.Sy.No.19 Land.

3) A Property Situated at Kirubanakallu Village, Chitradurga Tq and District. Bearing Chola Ghatta Grama Panchayath property No 68/3, Site No 3, e-property No 151000201000420107 Measuring E-W (16.5+21) / 2 Mtrs N-S (32+47.6) / 2 Mtrs Bounded as Follows: East: Re.Sy.No.10/7 and 10, West: Road, North: Road, South: Re.Sy.No.19 Land.

Total Outstanding from Three Loans as on 31.12.2023 is Rs 1,40,40,000.00 (One Crore Forty Lakhs forty Thousand Only) + Interest, penal Interest, postage, legal charges, advertisement charges and other charges to be levied from 01.01.2024)

Outstanding as upto 31-03-2023 Rs 46,50,000.00 – SSL- 10170200000601

Outstanding as upto 31-03-2023 Rs 46,95,000.00 – SSL- 10170200000602

Outstanding as upto 31-03-2023 Rs 46,95,000.00 – SSL- 10170200000604

(**Note:** Above amount is excluding Interest, penal Interest, postage, legal charges, advertisement charges and other charges to be levied from 01.01.2024 and Bank has already served Notice on 23.12.2023).

TERMS AND CONDITION OF SALE

1) Tenders in sealed covers super scribed as Tender for **Property** Purchase A/c "SRI SEETHARAGHAVA SOUHARDA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA" should accompanied with the earnest money deposit of Rs 5,00,000.00 (Five Lakh Rupees Only) by way of cash Deposit or Demand Draft favoring the "SRI SEETHARAGHAVA SOUHARDA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA HOSDURGA" and the same shall be submitted to "Authorized Officer / General Manager, SRI SEETHARAGHAVA SOUHARDA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA, Bus Stand Road Hosadurga on or before 12.00 pm on 06.02.2024 duly mentioning the amount offered for purchase.

2) The Tenderer should also accompany with attested copy of the photo identity proof of the bidder, as may be acceptable to the bank, along with attested copy of PAN Card. The tenders received without earnest money will be summarily rejected. The DD's of unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them on the date of auction itself and it will carry no interest.

3) The sealed tenders for sale will be opened by the authorized Officer of the bank in the presence of the tenders / bidders who will be present on **06.02.2024 at 12.00PM.** The bid will be opened them and opportunity will be given to enhance the bid amount in the multiples of Rs 1,00,000.00 the Authorized officer is at Liberty to accept the highest bid amount and confirm the sale in favor of the highest bidder or rejects the same without assigning any reason.

4) Successful Tenderer / bidder should deposit 25% of the bid amount (Including the EMD Amount) within 24 hours on the sale being knocked down in his/her favor and the balance sale price as to be remitted within 30 days from the date of confirmation of the sale or any other date specified by the Authorized Officer.

5) The Successful Tenderer / bidder shall bear all the legal / incidental expenses like stamp duty, registration fees, local taxes and any other statutory dues, water and electrical dues, etc…

6) If the Successful Tenderer / bidder fails to remit the balance of 75% of the bid amount within 30 days from the date of confirmation of sale or any other date specified by the Authorized Officer, the amount deposited by him/her shall be forfeited and bank will be liberty to sell the property once again and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claims to the property.

7) Sale is on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION"** subject to confirmation by the secured creditors.

8) The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject all or any of the offers/tenders without assigning any reason or shall have the right to postpone or cancel the opening of the Tenders.

9) The Authorized Officer is holding only the symbolic possession of the property and is not having the physical possession of the Property thus the successful bidder will be handed over the property in **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION".**

10) The Authorized Officer reserves his right vary any of the terms and condition of this notice of sale without prior notice at his discretion.

11) **As per the Income Tax Rules TDS at 1% of Auction price is payable by the auction purchaser or bidder as the purchase price could be more than Rs 50 Lakhs and the bank shall not take responsibility for the same.**

12) For inspection of the property and verification of the copies of the document / title deeds available with the Secured creditors or any further details, the intending bidders or Tenderer may contact the Authorized Officer **"SRI SEETHARAGHAVA SOUHARDA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA" Bus Stand Road Hosadurga. Ph No; 08199 230447 / 70222 76829 during the office hours on any working day.**

13) The Property will be not sold below **Reserve Price**.

14) If the bidder is a company, at the time of bidding company representative should carry or attach valid documents like board resolution copy along with tender form.

15) After Successful auction and abide by the rules and regulations Authorized Officer of the bank as per Security Interest enforcement rules – 2002 rule 5 sale Certificate will be handed over to the Successful bidder.

16) The Authorized officer / The General Manager deserve right to auction Properties Individually or jointly.

(This Notice shall also serve has notice under Sub rule (6) of rule (8) of security interest enforcement rules – 2002 to the barrower / guarantors).

Place: Hosadurga **Sd/- Authorized Officer / General Manager**
Date: 02.01.2024 **Sri Seetharaghava Souharda Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Hosadurga**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that my client Mr. Ashok Kumar intends to purchase Schedule Property from Smt. Bharathi Madane, W/o Late S.J. Madane, Present address No.42 MICO layout J.C.Nagar, Gelayara Balaga Layout WOC Road Bangalore - 560086 Any person(s) having any claim or right in respect of the said property by way of inheritance, share, sale, mortgage, lease, lien, license, gift, possession or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise are hereby required to intimate to the undersigned to the address given below **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this notice of such claim, along with supporting documents failing which the transaction shall be completed without reference to such claim and the claims, if any, of such person(s) shall be treated are not binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Site demarcated as Site No. 277, in the layout formed by the Society at Doddakallasandra II Stage, 1st Block, consisting of Thippasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, in all total 1200 sqft and bounded on

East by : Road,
West by : Site No. 270,
North by : Site No. 278
South by : Site No. 276.

SHYAM SUNDAR, Advocate
No. A-301, 3rd Floor, Brigade Majestic, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560 009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients, As per schedule hereunder from **Mr. Manish Kumar,** S/o. Sri. B.K. Pandey and Mrs. Rashmi Pandey, W/o. Sri. Manish Kumar, both are Residing at No. 312, Silver Park, Reliable Residency, Harla Kunte, HSR Sector - 2, Bangalore. The said Mr. Manish Kumar and Mrs. Rashmi Pandey have represented to my client that they have lost in transit the original sale deed dated : 27-07-2015, Document No. 1660/2015-16, in respect of schedule property and a complaint to this effect has been lodged by them to Bandepalya Police on 14.12.2023, No. 0847945/2023. Hence, this public notice.

Any person or body corporate whosoever having any claim, interest, or charge, etc, in whatsoever- manner- over- the schedule property herein are hereby called upon to lodge their claim or objections, if any, with supporting documents thereon with the undersigned in person **within seven days** from the date of publication of this general public notice, failing which my client will presume that the schedule property herein are free from all sorts of encumbrance.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

Item No. 1: All that piece and parcel of the land measuring 1 Acre 39.08 Guntas in Sy.No. 38/3 of Choodasandra Village, Sarajapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk and bounded on the **East by :** Land in Sy.No. 37, **West by :** Land in Sy.No. 38/2, **North by :** Road & **South by :** Border of Rayasandra Village.

Item No. 2: All that piece and parcel of the land measuring 0-07.08 Guntas in Sy.No. 38/3 of Choodasandra Village, Sarajapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk and bounded on the **East by :** Land in Sy.No. 37, **West by :** Remaining Portion of Same Sy.No. 38/3, **North by :** Road & Land and in Sy.No. 41 & **South by :** Remaining portion same Sy.no. 38/3.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing Flat No. 406 'F' in Camilla Block located in the 4th Floor of MJ 'LIFESTYLE' AZALIYA Apartment, having 3 Bedrooms and Super built area of 1590 Sq.Ft., and Carpet area of 1288 Sq.Ft., and 1 reserved covered car parking area in the basement floor, together with 781 Sq.Ft., of Undivided share, right, title and interest.

KANCHANA .U, Advocate
No.19, 9th Cross, 1st Floor, Bangalore.
Mob:9629156888, Date:30-12-2023

SALE DEED LOST

It is represented by the undersigned that **Mr. V. VIJAYABHASKAR** S/o, V. Velu Reddy, Aged about 49 years, Residing at, Flat No.B-3, Royal Enclave Apartment, Sidedahalli, Bengaluru-560073, has lost/misplaced the Original Sale Deed Dated: 18-03-1996, Vide Document Reg. No.11581/1995-96, in the Sub-Registrar office, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru. registered the document in the name of the earlier seller of Mr.P.K.Alexandar, a schedule property bearing Site No.22, (Twenty Two) formed in Converted Survey No.s 22/1D and 22/1G, converted by an order Dated 06-05-1993, passed in case No.B.DIS.ALNSR(N)159/91- 92, BY THE Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District, Situated at SIDEDAHALLI Village, Yeshawanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, now comes under limits of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.14, and property bearing No.22, Royal Enclave Nagar, measuring East to West: 53.5 feet, and North to South: 19-0 feet, total site area 1016.5 square feet, on.18-12-2023, my client Mr. V. VIJAYABHASKAR going on the bike at Bagalagunte bus stop at that time bag is lost with earlier owner names Original Sale Deed is lost. then lodged a online Police Complaint before the Bagalagunte police regarding for not traced the loss/misplaced above Original Sale Deed document have been E-lost compliant lodged on.22-12-2023, before Bengaluru rural station police through online vide Lost Report No.0859050/2023, till today my client Mr. V. VIJAYABHASKAR have not pledged the documents for any security or loan or borrowing. Hence I give a Public Notice through paper publication in daily News Paper, any person in possession of the above said documents please contact this my office address or Mobile No. 9342877205 or above address **within 15 days** from the date of this announce of publication.

CHIDANANDAPPA RAMANNA HOSPAR.
Advocate
No.1457/51, Samartha Sadana, Veerashettihalli, Achitnagar Post, Acharya College main Road, Bengaluru-560107.
Mob:9343175376 & 9844435258.
Dated:23-12-2023.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No.SEE/Tr(W&M)C/MRB/EE(O)/AEE-2/T-64/23-24/6344-50 Date:01.01.2024

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

(KPPP MODE ONLY)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited invites tenders under the following Tender Nos. for **"Providing manpower services for carrying out shift operations and minor maintenance works at various sub stations in Transmission(W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Munirabad".**

(1) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0478.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/80 Dt.01.01.2024: located at **66/11kV/Chilakanahatti.**

(2) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0479.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/81 Dt.01.01.2024. Located at **66kV S/S Nimbalagere.**

(3) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0480.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/82 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **66kV S/S Hansi.**

(4) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0481.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/83 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **66kV S/S Haravi.**

(5) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0482.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/84 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **220kV S/S Kudligi(Badeladaku).**

(6) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0483.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/85 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **220kV S/S Neelgunda.**

(7) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0484.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/86 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **66kV S/S Telagi.**

(8) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0485.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/87 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Somasamudra.**

(9) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0486.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/88 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Kudathini.**

(10) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0487.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/89 Dt.01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Halavarthi(Koppal).**

(11) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0488.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/90 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **66kV S/S Uchhangidurga.**

(12) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0489.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/91 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Hanamanal.**

(13) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0490.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/92 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Hiregonnagara.**

(14) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0491.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/93 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Kerehalli.**

(15) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0492.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/94 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Mudugal.**

(16) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0493.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/95 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Maski.**

(17) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0494.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/96 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Muddapura.**

(18) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0495***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/97 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Mangalore.**

(19) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0496.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/98 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S KIADB Kudathini.**

(20) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0497.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/99 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **66kV S/S Punabhaghatta.**

(21) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0498.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/100 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Ganadal.**

(22) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0499.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/101 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Talakal.**

(23) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0500.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/102 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Hanawal.**

(24) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0501.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/103 Dt. 01.01.2024: located at **66kV S/S Holagundi.**

(25) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0502***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/104 Dt. 01.01.2024: located at **110kV S/S Chilakamukhi.**

(26) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0503.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/105 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Jawalagera.**

(27) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0504.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/106 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Tavaragera.**

(28) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0505.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/107 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **220kV S/S Sulekal(Gangavathi).**

(29) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0506.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/108 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S KIADB Raichur.**

(30) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0507.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/109 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Byagwat.**

(31) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0508***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/110 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Kurudi Cross.**

(32) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0509.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/111 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Maliyabad.**

(33) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0510.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/112 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Shakthinagar.**

(34) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0511.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/113 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Madalapura.**

(35) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0512***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/114 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **220kV S/S Mallat.**

(36) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0513.***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/115 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Yapaladinni.**

(37) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0514***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/116 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Emmiganuru.**

(38) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0515***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/117 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **110kV S/S Ittigi.**

(39) Tender No: ***KPTCL/2023-24/SE0516***
Bid Enquiry No: SEE/WMC/MRB/AEE-2/2023-24/118 Dt. 01.01.2024: Located at **220kV S/S Somasamudra.**

Tenders will be received through KPPP mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the KPPP process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in/** on hyperlink **e Procurement KPTCL"** or directly logging on to website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in /on or after Dtd:06.01.2024 at 11:00Hrs** details can be obtained from the office of the under signed.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Ele., Tr. (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Munirabad, Ph: 08539-270094, Mob.No. 9448365059.

Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited

(A Joint Venture of GoI & GoK)
Metro Rail Depot, Old Madras Road, Near NGEF Bus Stop, Baiyappanahalli , Bengaluru - 560 038. Ph: 080-25191039
e-mail: contactus@bmrc.co.in Website: www.bmrc.co.in

Bid No.: BMRCL/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT8 Date: 03.01.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

BMRCL invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for **"Maintenance Contract for Artificer works (Petty Repairs) at Konanakunte Cross (APRC), Doddakallasandra (KLPK), Vajarahalli (VJRH), Talaghattapura (TGTP) & Silk Institute (APTS) Metro Stations in Reach 4B of Line-2".** The works details can be obtained from the procurement website. The tender documents can be obtained and submitted **on or before 06.02.2024 up to 15:00 Hrs.** Further details can be obtained from website at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact this office during office working hours.

Sd/- Executive Director (O & M)

NORTH WESTERN KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION CIVIL ENGINEERING DIVISION BELAGAVI.

. NWKRTC/EE/BGM/DB/715/2023-24 Date: 01/01/2024.

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. -12/2023-24 (Through Gok Karnataka Public Procurement Portal www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Item rate tenders in Two Cover System are invited through Gok Karnataka Public Procurement Portal for the following works from appropriate class of Registered Contractors in KPWD/CPWD/MES as per the schedule given below.

Sl.No:1:Tender Notification No:12:Name of Work:Construction of New ARTO office building at GOKAK., Type of Tender:Two Cover 501=80,Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (in Rs.):7,52,700=00, Class of Contractor:Class-1, Last date for submission of Tender:25/01/2024.

For further details visit https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in for any "HELP" regarding uploading of Tender Documents, please call on help desk -+91-8046010000 and +91-8068948777 of all working hours. Bidders can contact this office for further details in all working hours or Call 0831-2451475. Any changes in Tender Notification, Corrigendum/Addendum will be published in Gok Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only, separate paper notification will not be issued

Sd/- Executive Engineer, NWKRTC CE Division BELAGAVI.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client, **Sri.K.MANJUNATH,** S/o C.Eswarappa, aged about 29 years, R/at.G05, Roayal Palace Apartment, Vijaya Bank Layout, Behind SBI Bank, Bilekahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560076, had intend to purchase the **Western Portion of the property bearing Site bearing No.3, Property B-Katha No.20/1/3, BBMP Katha Sl.No.8600, measuring East to West: 50 feet and North to South: 40 feet totally measuring 2000 sft., consisting of RCC Roofed House situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalroe South Taluk, now comes under the limits of BBMP** and bounded on East by : Eastern Portion of Site No.3 belongs to Eric Robert, West by : Road, North by : Remaining land in Property bearing Sy.No.20/1A belongs to Tathappa Reddy, South by: Property belongs to Lakshmaiah Reddy, from 1) Umesh Prabhu.K.S. S/o. K.Srinivasa Prabhu, aged about 58 years, (Aadhar No.5593 9953 6069) & 2) Usha Prabhu W/o. Umesh Prabhu, aged about 53 years, (Aadhar No. 9207 1738 2236) both are R/at. No.57/1, Prabhu Nivasa, Vittasandra Road, Begur, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560068, if anybody have any claim, title, right over this property, they shall file their objections with documents, before the undersigned within 10 days from this notice. Failing which my client will proceeds further.

ASHOKA .R, Advocate
No.4/2, 2nd Floor, Shamshuddin Block, HHS & HMS Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560002. **Ph. 9535495356**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH (SARB), BENGALURU

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: Sri Ravi Prakash
E-mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in
Mob: +91 9535327281
Landline No. (Office): 080-2594-3678/3663

Address of the Branch:
Building No.11/90, III Floor, Near Old Shivaji Theatre J C Road, Bengaluru -560 002
Contact: CCO: Smt. Manjula, Mob: + 91 9449810754
Tel:080-2594-3678/3663
E-mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

APPENDIX- IV A
[See proviso to Rule 6(2) & 9(1)]
E-AUCTION ON 18.01.2024

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of movable and Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6(2) and 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular that the below described movable and immovable properties mortgaged/charged/hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis on **18.01.2024** for recovery of **Rs.79,36,567-00** (Rupees Seventy nine lakh thirty six thousand five hundred sixty seven only) as on 20.12.2023 and further interest at contractual rate from 21.12.2023 with incidental expenses + costs, charges etc., due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the Borrower: **Sri M P Vimal**, No. 132-H, Ground Floor, Vajrahastha, 2nd Cross, Penfield Gardens, Telecom Layout, Srirampura, Bengaluru 560064.
The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Time of e-Auction of Property	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
Rs.31,00,000/-	Rs.3,10,000/-	Rs.20,000/-	18.01.2024 - 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	On or before 18.01.2024 up to 10.30 A.M.

DESCRIPTION OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Tender No.SBI/SARB/2023-24/989:
All that part and parcel of Apartment bearing Flat No.002, on the 1st Floor of the building Known as "Promonade Vista" with a Super Built Up Area of 1240 Sq feet along with One No. Car parking Space, together with 300 Sq feet of undivided right, title, and interest in the Immovable Property being part and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Site No. 13 and 27, Khatha No. 2686/12/27 (old Khatha No. 2349) formed out of Residentially converted property in Sy. No. 66. 67/1, 67/2 vide conversion order bearing No. BDS.ALN.(E) SR.256/2002-03 dated 26.06.2003 by the Special Deputy Commisioner, Bengaluru District, situated at Dasarahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, now coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP in all measuring 2540 Sq feet and **Bound:** On the East by : 25 feet Road,On the West by Site No. 14 and 26 ,On the North by 15 feet Road,On the South by 30 feet Road.
RESERVE PRICE :Rs. 31,00,000-00 (Rupees Thirty one lakh only)
EMD : Rs. 3,10,000-00 (Rupees Three lakh ten thousand only)

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE (2ND /SUBSEQUENT AUCTION) UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT,2002.

The Borrower/Mortgagor is hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.
For further details regarding inspection of the property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer as mentioned above or Bank's Approved Resolution Agent M/s Goodwill Recovery and Financial Services Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru – Cell Nos.9886728350/9740367868.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, J. C. Road, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., (1) www.sbi.co.in & (2) www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp.

Date:20.12.2023 Sd/-
Place: Bengaluru Authorized Officer

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY

e-TENDER CALL NOTICE No. EM/PED-47/2023
No.:EM/PED/TECH-30/2023/682
Date:29/12/2023

Name of the Work: Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 23 Nos. High Mast Lighting Tower inside the Port prohibited area. Estimated Cost: **Rs.2,91,96,112/-**, Last date & time of submission of bid: **dt.18/01/2024 up to 16:00 Hrs.** Refer our Website for details https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app

Sd/-Executive Engineer (E), PED-I
Paradip Port Authority

PPA/PR/75/2023-24 dtd.01.01.2024

Government of Karnataka
Water Resources Development

O/o The Executive Engineer, Irrigation Investigation Division No.3, WRDO Kalaburagi-585101. e-mail : eeiidn3glb@gmail.com

NATIONAL HYDROLOGY PROJECT (World Bank Aided)
CORRIGENDIUM NOTICE-01 Dated :08-12-2023

This is with reference to Tender notification IFB No: KA/NHP-SW/Yermarus/01/2023-24; (WRD/2023-24/IW/WORK_INDENT-25) published on 9th December 2023 in daily news paper for the work of **The Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Maintenance of RTDAS Comprising of 46 Automatic Weather Station(AWS) & 23 Automatic Water Level Recorder (AWLR) with Telemetry System for Reservoirs/ Barrages/Rivers in Northern Karnataka and integrate with Data Center located at Bangalore, Karnataka under NHP.** as there were few amendments to the bid documents and in order to give prospective bidders reasonable time to take into account in preparing their bids, the Tender Schedule is revised and extended as below, The Last date & time for submission of bid is 18-01-2024 upto 4.00 p.m.and the Bid opening Date: 19-01-2024 at 4.30p.m. All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged. Visit the **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** website for latest information related to this bid.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Irrigation Investigation Division No.3, Kalaburagi

DIPR/Kalaburagi/635/KSMC&A/2023-24

PUBLIC NOTICE

We, the undersigned, on behalf of our client Mr. Mahendra Kumar Pirgal, son of Mr. Kushal Raj, domiciled at No.71/1, Ranga Rao Road, Shankarpuram, Bangalore - 560 004, hereby notify the general public that our client holds 1/4th or 600 Sq ft of undivided Share, right, title, interest and absolute Co-ownership in the immovable property bearing Municipal No.4, Old No.324, having New PID No.179-W0036-6 (Old PID No.58-118-4) (earlier House No.324 LIG), situated at 37th B Cross Road (earlier 36th A Cross), 5th Block, KHB Colony, Jayangar, Bangalore, measuring approximately East to West 40 ft and North to South 60 ft, in all measuring 2400 square feet of sital area.

Mr. Mahendra Kumar Pirgal, represents that the original documents listed below pertaining to the aforesaid property have been lost, misplaced, and remain untraceable. Mr. Mahendra Kumar Pirgal have filed a complaint with the Crime Branch Bengaluru City Police Station concerning the loss of the original document. An Endorsement, Numbered 0872222/2024 and dated January 02, 2024, has been registered in connection with the missing documents.

Any person who discovers the below mentioned missing document is kindly requested to notify or deliver the same to our aforementioned client, Mr. Mahendra Kumar Pirgal, or the undersigned. The public is hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid property on the basis of the original missing documents other than our client, Mr. Mahendra Kumar Pirgal. It is further notified that any transactions entered into in respect of the aforesaid property shall be considered illegal and shall not bind our client.

List of Lost Documents:

1. The Original Sale Deed dated 22.01.2014, executed by Mrs. Sirigowri Kuppalli, wife of Mr. B. B. Rakshith, in favour of Mahendra Kumar Pirgal, son of Mr.Kushal Raj, registered as Document No.SHR-1-02204/2013-14 of Book-I, stored in CD No. SHRD 37, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagar (Shanthinagar), Bangalore-560 027
2. The Original Partition Deed dated 10.01.2018, entered between Saritha Rank, Mahendra Kumar Pirgal and George Samuel, registered as Document No.JAY-1-09277/2017-18 of Book-I, stored in CD No.JAYD 322, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagar (Jayanagar)
3. The Original Rectification Deed dated 20.08.2019, entered between Saritha Rank, Mahendra Kumar Pirgal and George Samuel, registered as Document No.JAY-1-04493/2019-20 of Book-I, stored in CD No.JAYD550, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagar (Bangalore)

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HDB Financial Services Ltd.

Registered Office:- Radhika, 2nd Floor, Law Garden Road, Navrangpura, Ahamedabad-09.
Regional Office: Ground Floor, Zenith House, Opposite Race Course, Mahalakshmi, Mumbai- 34. Tel:022-39586300, Fax:022-39586666. Branch Office: No.195/38, 1st floor, HDFC Building, 10th Cross Road, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-27. web: www.hdbfs.com, Email ID: compliance@hdfs.com

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

(To the Borrower /Co-Applicant / Public in General)
(Under Rule 8(6) R/w with Rule 9 (1) of SARFAESI Act, 2002)

The undersigned Authorized Officer of **HDB Financial Services Ltd,** has taken over Possession of the following property on **18-11-2023,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of the Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, for the below mentioned loan account with a right to sell the same on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**

2) **Name and Address of the Applicant & Co-Applicant:- 1) Shree Balaji Enterprises,** No.7/5, Rudrappa Garden, Vittal Nagar, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026, **2) S. Venkateshrao,** No. 162, 6th Main Road, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bangalore-560011, **3) Shamanna Seshadri Kumar,** No.162, 6th Main Road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011, **4) Bhagyalakshmi A M,** No. 162, 6th Main Road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011, **5) Srinivasamurthy Shamanna,** No. 162, 6th Main, Jayanagar 4th Block, Bangalore-560011. **Account No.:- 1231700, Total Outstanding Amount: Rs.2,01,09,655.10/- (Rupees Two Crore One Lakh Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Five and Ten Paise Only)** as on 29-12-2023, with further interest/incidental expenses /costs till the date of full payment.
Details of Encumbrances, if any, known to the Secured Creditor:- NIL

DETAILS OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES:
All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing entire First floor building No.162, measuring East to West 60 ft, and North to South 40 ft., Situated at 6th Main Road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011, and **Bounded on the: East By:** 6th Main Road, **West By :** Private Property, **North By:** Diagonal Road, **South By:** Property No.163.

Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid Incremental Amount	Auction Date & Time	EMD Last Date &Time
Rs.1,16,97,312/-	Rs.11,69,731.25	Rs.1,00,000/-	07-02-2024 at 11 AM to 12 Noon	06-02-2024 up to 05:00 p.m

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE:

(1) The auction sale shall be "online e-auction" bidding through website **https://www.bankeauctions.com** Mobile APP on the dates as mentioned in the table above with Unlimited Extension of 5 Minutes.
(2) The interested bidders shall submit their EMD through Web Portal: **https://bankauctions.in/** (the user ID & Password can be obtained free of cost by registering name with **https://bankauctions.in** through Login ID & Password. The EMD shall be payable through Order/Demand Draft for an EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"HDB Financial Service Limited"** above. After Registration (One Time) by the bidder in the Web Portal, the intending bidder/ purchaser is required to get the copies of the following documents uploaded in the Web Portal before the Last Date & Time of submission of the Bid Documents viz. **i)** Copy of the NEFT/RTGS Challan or Demand Draft; **ii)** Copy of PAN Card; **iii)** Proof of Identification/ Address Proof (KYC) viz. self-attested copy of Voter ID Card/ Driving License/ Passport etc.; without which the Bid is liable to be rejected. UPLOADING SCANNED COPY OF ANNEXURE-II & III (can be downloaded from the Web Portal: https://bankauctions.in/) AFTER DULY FILLED UP & SIGNING IS ALSO REQUIRED. The interested bidders who require assistance in creating Login ID & Password, uploading data, submitting Bid Documents, Training/ Demonstration on Online Inter-se Bidding etc., may contact **M/s C1 India pvt ltd, Plot No.68, 3rd Floor, Sector-44, Gurgao122003, Haryana, E-mail ID: support@bankeaction.com, support Helpline Number: 124-4302020/21/22/23, 7291981124/1125/1126, Vinod Chouhan/delhi@c1india.com /9813887931 sales Enquires: sales@bankeauctions.com, 7291981129.**
(3) The intending bidders should be present in person for the Auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself/herself. No Authorized person allowed.
(4) The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from the Manager, **M/s. HDB Financial Services Ltd. No.195/38, 1st floor HDFC Building 10th Cross Road, Wilsan Garden Bangalore-27.**
(5) The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the tender form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **the Authorized Officer, HDB Financial Services Limited,** together with a Pay Order/Demand Draft for an EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price, drawn in favor of **"HDB Financial Service Limited" on or before 5pm on the 06-02-2024** of Tender-cum-Auction sale hereby notified.
(6) For inspection of the Property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact: **M/s. HDB Financial Services Ltd. No.195/38, 1st floor HDFC Building 10th Cross Road, Wilson Garden Bangalore-27, The Manager-Mrs. Ragini. M K.- 9110609817 and Raghvendra Rao KR -9620764555, The Property/ies is sold on "As-is-where-is" and "As-is-what-is" condition basis.**
(7) The sealed Tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders by **11am on the 07-02-2024** of Tender-cum-auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the same will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorized Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to Quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of **HDB Financial Services Limited.**
(8) The successful bidder shall have to pay 25% (inclusive of EMD paid) of the sale amount immediately on the same day or not later than next working day on completion of sale and the balance amount of 75% within 15 days from the date of confirmation of Sale, failing which the initial deposit of 25% shall be forfeited. At any cost it shall not be refunded. If the successful bidder, fail to make the payment of 25% of the entire bid amount as mentioned above, the next successful bidder will be considered and entitled to complete the sale.
(9) The sale certificate will be issued by the Authorized Officer in favor of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein.
(10) The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, Registration Fee etc., as applicable under law.
(11) The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, Electricity Charges and other Dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government undertaking and Local bodies.
(12) The Authorized Officer has absolute right to accept or reject Tender or Bid any or all the offers and adjourn/postpone/cancel the Auction without assigning any reason thereof and also modify any terms and conditions of the sale without assigning any reason thereof and also to modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice.

Place: Bangalore, Date: 03-01-2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, M/s. HDB Financial Services Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public in general that my client is negotiating for the purchase of the Schedule property described in the Schedule hereunder with one Sri. T.M. Nanjaraju and family and has entered into an agreement of sale with them in respect of the same. Anybody having any right title or interest whatsoever or any claim in any manner may lodge their objections with the undersigned with documentary evidence within 15 days from the date of this advertisement, failing which, note that it will be presumed that no objection whatsoever from anybody lies and my client will proceed with the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of immovable Property bearing Site No.289, BBMP, PID No 82-1-289, Situated at Binamangala Extension Layout 1st Stage, Bangalore Taluk, Now comes under Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Measuring East to West, Northern Side: 25-04 Square, Feet Southern Side: 17-09 Square Feet and North to South: Eastern Side: 17-09 Square feet, Western Side-40 Square Feet totally Measuring 2119 Square Feet, bounded on the:
East by : Side No.293 and 294, West by : Road, North by : Side No.288, South by : Side No.290.

Sri. G.B. MAHESH, Advocate
No. 410, Rama Temple Street, New Thippasandra, Bangalore.
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Email: cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged /charged to the **seccured creditor,** the possession of which has been taken by the **Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore-1** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Name of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Assets	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit [EMD] Date & Time	1) Incremental Value at Bid 2) A/c No. & IFSC
M/S Blueclif Apparels India Pvt Ltd, No.410, Old PID No.38/56, Vaijayanth Arcade Gurusarvabhoma Nagar ITI Layout, 3rd Phase, Opp.Gopalan Arcade, Mysore Road, Kenkeri Hobli Bengaluru 560039 **And also at:** M/S Blueclif Apparels India Pvt Ltd No 26 1st Main Road, Nayandahalli South Badavane Kengeri Hobli,Bengaluru - 560039 **Mr.Sreejith P,** S/o K K Narayana Nambiar Kalathil Valappil House, Maruvancheri P O Kanhileri, Sivapuram Kannur District Kerala - 670702 **And also at:** Mr.Sreejith P, S/O Narayanan Nambiar K K, #139 Balaji Layout, Uttarahalli Bengaluru – 562159 **Mr.Shashikantha M K,** S/o M S Krishne Gowda 2/372 Ward No 2, 2nd Cross, Vinayaka Badavane, K R Nagara Mysuru 571602 **And also at:** Mr.Shashikantha M K, S/o M S Krishne Gowda, No.67, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Vijayashreepura Mysore - 570006 **Mrs.Chowdamma,** W/O Chandrappa, No 50 Old Church Road S T Street Marathahalli Colony Bangalore North Bangalore Karnataka 560037 **Mr.Shaji P,** S/o K K Narayana Nambiar, Kalathil Valappil House Maruvancheri P O Kanhileri, Sivapuram Kannur District Kerala – 670702	**Rs. 77424476.26** (Rupees Seven Crore Seventy Four Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Twenty Six only) as on 31.12.2023 plus further interest thereon from 01.01.2024 along with expenses, other charges, etc.	**As per the document:** All the Part and Parcel of the property bearing BBMP Katha No. 84/81/215, CMC Katha No. 81, Old HASB Khaneshumari No. 210/69, measuring an extent of 3375 sq ft of land (East to West 45 ft, North to South 75 ft), situated at Government School Road, Marathahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, previously Mahadevapura CMC limits, presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP in Ward No. 86 and the building there on.**Bounded on: East by :** Property of Ulsoor Krishnappa, **West by:** Property of Kanthamma, **North by :** Road, **South by :** A.K.Colony **Actual :** All the Part and Parcel of the property bearing BBMP Katha No. 84/81/215, CMC Katha No. 81, Old HASB Khaneshumari No. 210/69, measuring an extent of 2815 sq ft of land(East to West 40.75ft, North to South 69ft), situated at Government School Road, Marathahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, previously Mahadevapura CMC limits, presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP in Ward No. 86 and the building there on. **Bounded on: East by :** Property of Ulsoor Krishnappa, **West by :** Property of Kanthamma, **North by :** Road, **South by :** A.K.Colony	**18.01.2024 Time 12.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m**	**Reserve Price:** Rs.381.65 **EMD:** Rs.38.20 Lakhs **before 17.01.2024 up to 3.00 pm.**	1) Multiples of Rs.50,000/- 2) A/c No. 209272434 IFSC : CNRB0006298 **Encumbrance (s):** Not Known to the Bank
M/s Nishi Forex & Leisure Pvt Ltd, No.536,Ground Floor, Amar Jyothi Layout, Domlur, 100 feet Intermediate Ring Road, Bangalore-560071 **GUARANTORS: 1. Sri.Ramachandra K,** Director-Guarantor, S/o Kuppanna, No.936,11th Main Road, HAL 2nd stahe, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560008 **Also at:** No.46,Sorahunase Road,Varthur, Adjacent to Grandeur Park Apartments, Bangalore-560087 **2. Sri.Arjun A,Director-Guarantor/Mortgager** S/o Sri.Anantha, No.46,Sorahunase,Varthur Adjacent to Grandeur Park Apartments, Bangalore-560087 **3. Sri-Anatha-Guarantor/Mortgagor,** S/o Sri.Dodda Thippanna, No.46,Sorahunase,Varthur Adjacent to Grandeur Park Apartments, Bangalore-560087 **4. Smt.Aruna A- Guarantor/Mortgagor,** W/o Sri. Ramachandra K, No.46,Sorahunase,Varthur Adjacent to Grandeur Park Apartments, Bangalore-560087 **5. Smt.Renuka- Guarantor/Mortgagor,** W/o Sri. Anantha, No.46,Sorahunase,Varthur Adjacent to Grandeur Park Apartments, Bangalore-560087	**Rs. 39,47,47,341.80/-** (Rupees Thirty nine crores forty seven lakhs forty seven thousand three hundred forty one and Paisa Eighty only) as on 31.12.2023 plus further interest thereon and other expenses due to Canara Bank from M/s Nishi Forex & Leisure Pvt Ltd rep.by Directors/ Guarantors/ mortgagors (1.Sri.Ramachandra K, 2.Sri.Arjun A, 3.Smt.Aruna A, 4.Sri. Anantha, 5.Smt. Renuka)	**1.** All that piece and parcel of the land and building in Sy.No.57/5 to the extent of 2 Acres and 20 Guntas out of 3 Acres 13 Guntas in Sy.no.57,of Varthur Village,Varthur Hobli,Bengaluru East Taluk belonging to Sri.Arjun A.Out of 2 Acres and 20 Guntas of land,37 Guntas of land has been given for Joint Development with M/s CMRS Infrastructure Pvt Ltd and the balance land(property put for sale) measuring to an extent of 1 Acre 23 Guntas and **bounded on: East by :** Remaining portion of the land in Sy.No.57/5 (given to M/s CMRS Infrastructure Pvt Ltd for Joint Development)., **West by :** Remaining portion of the Land in Sy.No.57/4, **North by :** Land in Sy.No.56, **South by :**Land in Sy.No.58 **2.** All that piece and parcel of the land property measuring 0 Acres 09 Guntas out of total 3 Acres 19 Guntas ,extent 3 Acres 13 Guntas and together with Kharab 0 Acres 06 Guntas in Sy.No.57/1 of Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk belonging to Sri.Anantha and Smt. Renuka, **bounded on: East by :** Portion of same number fallen to the share of Smt.Aruna A, **West by :** Rajakaluve, **North by :** Land of Krishnappa, **South by :** Land of Jayarama Reddy. **3.** All that piece and parcel of the land property measuring 0 Acres 08 Guntas out of total 3 Acres 19 Guntas ,extent 3 Acres 13 Guntas and together with Kharab 0 Acres 06 Guntas in Sy.No.57/2 of Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk belonging to Smt.Aruna A, **bounded on: East by :** Portion of same number fallen to the share of Smt. Archana, **West by :** Portion of same number fallen to the share of Sri.Anantha & Smt.Renuka, **North by :** Land of Krishnappa, **South by :** Land of Jayarama Reddy.	**05.02.2024 - 11.30 A M to 12.00 Noon**	**1.Reserve Price:** Rs.17,38,00,000/- **EMD:** Rs.1,73,80,000/- **2.Reserve Price:** Rs.2,47,00,000/- **EMD:** Rs.24,70,000/- **3.Reserve Price:** Rs.2,20,00,000/- **EMD:** Rs.22,00,000/- **before 02.02.2024 up to 3.00 pm.**	1) Multiples of Rs.50,000/- 2) A/c No. 209272434 IFSC : CNRB0006298 **Encumbrance (s):** Not Known to the Bank

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

a. Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website www.indianbankseauctions.com. Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
b. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.
c. The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
d. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited by way of DD favouring **Authorised officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch II, Bangalore** OR through online (RTGS/ NEFT/Fund Transfer) to credit the account number 209272434, Canara Bank, ARM Branch II, Bangalore RTGS/NEFT CODE CNRB0006298 on or before EMD date.
e. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before EMD date, to Canara Bank, ARM Branch - II Bangalore by hand.
   i. Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No.
   ii. Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount.
   iii. Bid Form.
f. The intending bidders should register their names at portal www.indianbankseauction.com and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/S CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LTD.** e- mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in Contact Persons & Numbers:- Mr.Pakhare DD/Mr.Ramesh T H – 9480691777 & 8553643144.
g. EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest.
h. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in **multiples of Rs.50,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
i. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price within the period stated above, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorised Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again.
j. For sale proceeds of Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty Lakhs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank.
k. All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
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2.	Gangulappa Rathnamma/ Sudhir S/ LBBNG00005539211	Schedule "A" Property:(Details of The Entire Property) Item No. 1: All That Part and Parcel of an Immovable Converted Residential Property Bearing Site No. 948 Formed in Sy.Nos.27/1, 117, 118/1 and 118/2 Vide Conversion Order Bearing No.BDA/ Commissioner/214/1988-89, Dated:22/26-09-1988, Situated at Valagerehalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Measuring East to West 90 Ft. X 50 Ft. Totally Measuring 4500 Sq.ft., and Bounded on: East By: Site No. 969 West By: Road, North By: Private Property, South By: Site No. 949. Item No. 2: All That Part and Parcel of an Immovable Converted Residential Property Site No.949 Formed in Sy.Nos.27/1, 117, 118/1 and 118/2 Vide Conversion Order Bearing No.BDA/Commissioner/214/1988-89, Dated:22/26-09-1988, Situated at Valagerehalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Measuring 90' X 50' Totally Measuring 4500 Sq.ft., and Bounded on: East By: Site No. 968 West By: Road, North By: Site No. 948, South By: Site No. 950. Schedule "B" Property :(Description of Undivided Share Here By Conveyed) 471 Sq.ft. Undivided Share, Right and Interest in The Land Comprised in Schedule "A" Property. Schedule "C" Property: (Description of Flat Here By Conveyed] All That Part and Parcel of an Immovable Residential Property Bearing Duplex Flat No. S-3, (3BHK), on The Second Floor, in The Multistoried Residential Apartment Building Known as "Punam Parijatha", Having 1599 Sq.ft. Built Up Area and Super Built Up Area of 1902 Sq.ft. Together With 471 Sq.ft. Undivided Share, Right, Title And Interest, Along With One Covered Car Parking Space, Now Comes Under The Jurisdiction of Bbmp, Having Rcc Roofing, Vitrified Tiles Flooring, Flush Doors and Aluminum Windows, Along With Electricity, Water and Sanitary Connection, Inclusive of Proportionate Share in Common Areas Such as Passages, Lobbies, Staircases, Lifts, Garden Space and Other Area of Common Use and Flat Bounded on: East By: Private Property, West By: Flat No. S-4, North By: Flat No. S-2, South By: Private Property./ Date of Physical Possession on/29/12/2023.	27.12.2022 Rs. 61,73,585.00/-	Bangalore

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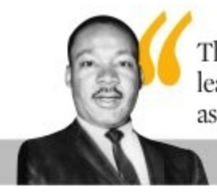

Those who love peace must learn to organise as effectively as those who love war

Martin Luther King Jr

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— Ramnath Goenka

GOVT COULD LOOK AT TAXATION TO ADDRESS WIDENING INEQUALITY

THE wealthy got wealthier over the last calendar. The number of dollar billionaire promoters of listed Indian companies grew to 152 over the year, up from 126 in calendar 2022; their combined net worth went past $858 billion, a jump of 16 percent from the previous year's $739 billion. The survey by a financial daily threw up a significant change—a widening of the list with many new entrants coming in on the back of successful IPOs. While Gautam Adani slipped to No 2 with an erosion of about 29 percent in net worth (after the Hindenburg report triggered a meltdown in some Adani stocks), Mukesh Ambani was on top, growing a marginal 4.7 percent to $112 billion. New promoter billionaires included Ramesh Juneja of Mankind Pharma, Pradeep Rathod of Cello, and T P Kabra of R R Kabel.

Wealth creation was not only at the very top. The creamy layer also seems to have bounced back from the Covid blues. Two bell-weather economic indicators have been ringing loud. Passenger vehicle sales, driven by an array of SUV launches, have boomed past the 4-million annual sales mark for the first time. Sales of luxury homes, those priced at ₹4 crore and above, which had gone into a freeze during and after the pandemic, more than doubled to 9,700 units in the first nine months of 2023, property consultant CBRE said.

These trends show people not only have the money, they also want to spend it. The overall macro-economic indicators are strong. India is likely to end the fiscal with an enviable GDP growth of over 7 percent. Between 2000 and 2022, per capita income has soared from $450 to $2,389. However, the anticipated trickle-down is weak, and there has been an alarming growth of income and wealth disparity in the country. NGOs such as Oxfam have been pitching this; but more recently in November, UNDP's Asia-Pacific Development Report again underlined the problem. One estimate says the top tenth of the population cornered 57 percent of the national income in 2021 while the bottom half had a mere 13 percent—one of the most unequal income distributions. Growth of wealth is one way of measuring a nation's progress; but equally important is whether it can achieve distributive justice. Perhaps taxation is one tool the government will have to look at afresh to ensure a better trickle-down.

WEIGH KANNADA ACTIVISM AND BUSINESS CONCERNS

A sudden flare-up over the lack of Kannada on name boards of commercial establishments took a violent turn in Bengaluru last week. Protesting Karnataka Rakshana Vedike (KRV) activists went on the rampage, vandalising signage in English and demanding that owners of businesses change their name boards immediately. The police swiftly arrested KRV leaders and activists, signalling that the government would not tolerate violence. Such vandalism was uncalled for as the government has given businesses time till February 28 to adhere to the law—the Shops and Establishments Act mandates that Kannada should cover at least 60 percent of a name board. Failure to do so can attract a fine of ₹10,000 for the first violation and ₹20,000 for a second violation, and finally lead to the cancellation of trade licence. Ensuring that businesses follow the law is the job of civic authorities, not language activists. Such vandalism hurts the image of the city, especially as Deputy Chief Minister D K Shivakumar has taken up the 'Brand Bengaluru' initiative.

Yet, it must be admitted that the language issue cannot be silenced. It has become a volatile faultline in the region with an influx of cheap labour from North and East India making up the bulk of employees in retail establishments and working for low wages, free food and crowded accommodation. There is a vast swathe of Bengaluru occupied by IT employees, again from North India. Both classes of workers are perceived as 'outsiders' who are taking away jobs of locals, and imposing their language and culture on the local populace. The job factor had sparked off the sudden flexing of muscles by the KRV, whose activists had questioned the owner of a mall about the lack of a Kannada signboard and the high share of workers from northern states. In return, the mall owner had sent the KRV leaders a legal notice, leading to the recent fracas.

Instead of allowing the issue to fester and incite more violence, the authorities should strike a fine balance between the language activists and business owners. The Congress knows that these self-appointed protectors of the language are a political support, and the party cannot afford to antagonise them. Efforts should also be made to popularise the local language among migrants—but not by force, as it might have a contrary effect.

QUICK TAKE

SWEEP FOR GUNS IN MANIPUR

THE fire that singed Manipur last year has flared again. On Tuesday, four police commandos and a BSF jawan were injured in an attack in Moreh, a border town and a drugs hub. This came a day after four men were killed in Thoubal district; enraged locals set four vehicles on fire and curfew was re-imposed in five valley districts. More than 4,000 guns stolen from state armouries last year are still in the wind. After setting up a 'drop box' inviting their return, the authorities have not made much headway in their recovery. It is now essential to run thorough sweeps for them through the state.

The INDIA bloc's indecision in picking a prime ministerial candidate shows lack of clarity and clash of ambitions. The Congress seems to be making its own calculations

THE SEARCH FOR A SUITABLE OPPOSITION FACE

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SOURAV ROY

THE march towards parliamentary polls in April-May expectedly picked up pace as the new year began. While it appears that the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is drumming up a celebration in a rather humdrum anticipation of a re-election, the mood in the opposition camp is palpably forlorn. In constant fear of coming across as disjoined and crumbling under the weight of an acronym that it gave itself—INDIA—the opposition is struggling to answer certain basic questions.

Those questions chiefly pertain to seat-sharing formulas and the appointment of a formidable face to lead the opposition charge. Let's keep the seat-sharing part aside and focus on the leadership question here. This, assuming that one may first need a senior figure with relatively absent self-interest to not just put in place seat sharing agreements between the 28-odd alliance partners, but also ensure they are carried through without sabotage.

During the opposition meet on December 19, the name of Mallikarjun Kharge was proposed as the face by Mamata Banerjee and Arvind Kejriwal. It appeared there was calculated mischief in suddenly throwing up the name without prior consultation or due deliberation. In Indian politics, the name that usually gains currency first is also the name that gets struck off first. In the case of Kharge, the name seems to have been abruptly invoked to not just cancel him out of the race eventually, but to send a message across to the Congress.

By taking Kharge's name, the message to the Congress was that Rahul Gandhi was not preferred. It was an indirect comment on his suitability. The proposers knew that the Congress and the family could not dismiss Kharge's name outright because he was not only the Congress party's national president, but his Dalit identity demanded a certain political correctness. A few days later, Kharge's Karnataka colleague, Siddaramaiah, made it known that he would like to see Rahul Gandhi as prime minister. That was as direct as they could get. If Kharge did not enjoy applause at home, then one can imagine rest of India.

Even when it comes to Dalits, everybody understands that it is not a flat, homogenous electorate. Its unity has been checkmated by many sub-castes, many visions and many leaders, and Kharge has hardly found a prominent place in the national Dalit landscape. To be fair, to build a Dalit audience for the Congress was never his mandate. He was expected to be a placeholder for a Nehru-Gandhi, and he has played the role faithfully. The anxiety among the elite in his party that to play a Dalit card may wickedly polarise the vote in a deeply stratified society may not be unfounded.

Anyway, besides what an embarrassed Kharge himself said to reject the idea of his candidature—"Let's win first, the PM candidate can be decided later"—the Congress employed a more subtle way to negate the idea of his candidature. Ten days after the December 19 kerfuffle around Kharge, the Congress reasserted the importance of Rahul Gandhi by announcing that he will be doing the Bharat Nyay Yatra from Manipur to Mumbai. They revealed he would cover 6,200 kms across 14 states. The message that he was the face of the party, and will always be, was pretty apparent. Never mind the questions the BJP provokes about the perpetuity of the Nehru-Gandhi dynasty beyond 2024. During Rahul's yatra this time, the Congress may not insist, like they did last time, that it is all about love and a larger social mission. They may not explicitly speak about Rahul Gandhi as a prime ministerial candidate, but may add the sparkle of a poll campaign to his every step.

Mamata prematurely putting across Kharge's name may have had a direct implication for the Nehru-Gandhis, but it was also her political way of hastening another, more acceptable name to the front. She perhaps thought that she should bell the cat given that the INDIA group was dragging its feet on literally everything since they began meeting in June 2023 in Patna. We do not know for sure who the other person was on her mind. It was not herself, certainly. It was not Sharad Pawar, clearly. Could it have been Nitish Kumar? Did she think that he would at least make the contest against Modi formidable, if not winnable?

The unilateral announcement of Rahul Gandhi's yatra 2.0 has disrupted the entire opposition game. Many Opposition leaders are confused if the Congress wants to pursue a joint INDIA strategy or wants to go alone. The murmurs are there to be heard for ears with access. There were joint opposition rallies and other activities that were being planned and proposed, but if Rahul Gandhi is now going to be walking till the middle of March, then it is impossible to align schedules for sustained common activity. This may push the opposition to eventually settle with the idea of a post-poll alliance, after the numbers become clear and if it throws up an opportunity.

By forcing this situation, the Congress may have escaped the humiliation of having to give up seats to alliance partners and reducing its footprint across India. It would now rather focus on reviving itself or at least keeping itself afloat till the Modi juggernaut stops moving. In the face of its own existential crisis, wrecking opposition unity may be a charge that the party perhaps thinks will have generous pardons in history.

Now, circle back to what Sharad Pawar said after Mamata propped up Kharge's name. He said there was no need for the opposition to project a face. This quite punctured Nitish Kumar's ambition and snubbed Mamata's enthusiasm but held up the Congress game. To substantiate, Pawar said Morarji Desai was nowhere in the picture when he became prime minister in 1977. But in a convenient application of memory, he forgot to say that in 1977 ideologically diverse opposition parties had shown unprecedented commitment to merge and fight on a single symbol. Jayaprakash Narayan was the face and moral authority of that election which saw the defeat of Indira Gandhi.

Amid half-truths and manoeuvring, the news that Janata Dal (United) may implode in Bihar demands a factcheck. There is also inspired gossip that Nitish Kumar may swing again and be back in the BJP alliance. Lalu Yadav, they say, wants his son in the chief minister's saddle before the national polls. Everything suddenly sounds so strange for the opposition.

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A NEED TO DEFINE FORENSIC EXPERTISE

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PARLIAMENT recently overhauled the country's criminal codes by passing three bills related to both substantive and procedural law. Section 176(3) of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita has mandated compulsory examination of a crime scene by forensic experts in offences where the prescribed punishment is seven years or more. With this, forensic experts now have a front seat in India's criminal justice administration. The new provisions necessitate augmentation of resources in terms of trained experts and forensic laboratories, as well as capacity building of stakeholders such as the police, prosecutors, judges and lawyers.

Forensic science has continuously evolved to reduce human errors and cognitive biases in judicial decision-making. With its scientific basis, neutrality and impartiality, forensic opinion fosters confidence in reaching the truth behind a fact, which is necessary for delivering justice. It must be noted that forensic experts' opinion is not error-free in absolute terms—hence forensic reports are used for corroboration in judicial proceedings. Minimising the scope of errors in expert opinion remains a daunting challenge, which can be addressed at two levels—defining an expert and whether the methods used to deduce an expert opinion are reliable and accredited.

First, the definition of a forensic expert needs urgent attention. Section 45 of the Indian Evidence Act of 1882 describes an expert. It says that when the court forms an opinion on a foreign law, science or art—or, say, has to identity handwriting or finger impressions based on the advice of persons specially skilled in those fields—then such persons are considered experts. Interestingly, the term 'forensic' does not figure in the entire Evidence Act. The expression 'specially skilled' is also not defined in the Act, resulting in the conundrum on who an expert is.

The Supreme Court, in *Chand Batra vs State of UP* (1974), accepted an excise inspector as an expert who was to determine by smell test whether a liquor was illicit, since he had gathered vast experience in dealing with such cases. Such imperfect, subjective legal interpretation poses the serious risk of miscarriage of justice, including wrongful convictions which would erode public trust in the legal system.

In *State of Himachal Pradesh vs Jai Lal* (1999), the Supreme Court elucidated on the expression 'specially skilled', and said an expert must have made a special study or acquired a special experience. Thus an expert must be skilled with adequate subject knowledge. Section 39 of the new Bharatiya Sakshya Act is almost a replica of the old provisions on experts, except it includes

PEXELS

> The new criminal laws say forensic experts would need to examine any crime scene where the offence's prescribed punishment is seven years or more. So India urgently needs many more trained forensic experts and labs than it has. But first, we need to clearly define a forensic expert

"any other field" to embrace other disciplines of expertise. The segment titled "Opinion of third persons when relevant" necessitates a revisit to remove the continuing ambiguity in procedural law.

English law on experts also suffers from a similar ambiguity. It appears that Common Law countries have mostly borrowed the UK model. However, Article VII (Rule 701 to 706) of the US Federal Rules of Evidence is comprehensive on opinions and expert testimony. Rule 702 describes that a witness who qualifies by knowledge, skill, experience, training or education is an expert. For admissibility of expert testimony, this rule provides four prerequisites: (i) the expert's specialised scientific or technical knowledge's role in understanding the fact or evidence; (ii) testimony based on sufficient facts or data; (iii) testimony as the product of reliable principles and methods; and (iv) the expert has reliably applied the principles and methods to the facts of the case. This legal provision prevents unreliable 'junk science' from being heard as evidence.

In France, experts are often selected by judges from lists published by the courts. The experts are obligated to adhere to a code of conduct established by the Conseil National des Compagnies d'Experts de Justice, a professional regulatory body, to ensure due process, impartiality and independence.

In Australia, merely possessing a particular qualification doesn't guarantee expertise, unless it explains how the specialised knowledge applies to the facts at hand. These well-defined, holistic international benchmarks to ensure an intelligent and reliable evaluation of facts stand in stark contrast to India's abstract system.

An expert is not a witness of fact, but he advises the court to understand the facts. An expert opinion per se is considered advisory and persuasive in character if it is intelligible, convincing and based on sufficient data derived from steadfast principles and methods. Expert opinion, once admitted, becomes an opinion of the court. Thus, expert opinion fortified with neutrality and scientific validation plays a crucial role as inculpatory evidence to prove guilt beyond reasonable doubt, as well as exculpatory evidence to establish innocence of an accused.

In order to annul ambiguity, it is proposed to define an expert as "a specially skilled person having essential education, knowledge, experience, skill, and training of the subject who provides expert opinion based on reproducible, sufficient facts or data derived from reliable and accredited principles and methods". Further, India may want to introduce an autonomous ombudsman like the Texas Forensic Science Commission to regulate, facilitate and advance the credibility and probity of expert opinion.

(With inputs from Kartikey Singh, BA LLB candidate)
(Views are personal)

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Better predictions

Ref: *Boost domestic radar capability to fight climate change* (Jan 2). I appreciate TNIE for focussing on the plight of Tirunelveli which logged excess rain in December. The weather forecasts reported that moderate to heavy rains might occur. Nobody was ready for this. We need a good meteorological department.
Rajakumar Arulanandham, Tirunelveli

Our responsibility

Ref: *Post NY revelry, BBMP collects 8 tonnes of waste from CBD* (Jan 2). Partying as a way to celebrate the new year is now a norm. However, these celebrations come with severe ramifications for the environment. The party decor joins the long line of waste. Climate change is not an issue only governments need to tackle, we too need to do our part.
Mouli Verma, email

ED ultimatum

Ref: *Jharkhand MLA quits amid buzz on Soren's wife joining fray* (Jan 2). Both Hemant Soren and Arvind Kejriwal have exhausted their quota of seventh and last summons by the Enforcement Directorate for questioning. Both are non-BJP CMs hoping to claim martyrdom out of impending arrest. Both are preparing their wives to step into their shoes.
Parthasarathy Mandadi, Tirupati

Endemic acceptance

Ref: *199 JN.1 variant cases in Karnataka* (Jan 2). Fear has once again started to spread since the advancement of the JN.1 variant. The virus is capable of genetic mutation. So can we ever get rid of it? Experts have already said, we need to start living by accepting Covid-19 as any other respiratory ailment. It's time we normalise the situation and act wisely.
Mudit Aggarwal, Bengaluru

Divorce counselling

Ref: *How Peruvayal panchayat helps young couples avoid divorce trap* (Jan 2). I commend Peruvayal panchayat for its proactive counselling programme to diminish divorce rates. With 70% of divorce applications initiated by women, it's crucial to recognise changing societal dynamics. Men should actively support women's development, fostering equal opportunities.
V Parameswari, email

Opposition's dilemma

The invitation from the Ram temple trust to opposition parties is being used by BJP to settle scores. If opposition attends, BJP would say it is out of the fear of losing Hindu votes and if they don't they will be blamed for appeasing minorities.
N Nagarajan, Secunderabad

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Mayawati @Mayawati
A BJP MLA openly assaulted Dalit councilors of the Municipal Corporation in UP's Meerut district. BJP should take strict action against the culprits.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
While more than 150 MPs were suspended, Shahenshah in Parliament enacted a law against drivers, which could have fatal consequences.

Yogendra Yadav @_YogendraYadav
Month-long Jana Gana Mana Abhiyaan Launched - India's rich, diverse, civilizational heritage invoked - to defend our constitutional values and secure our country's future.

Vijayakanth, a magnanimous captain of hearts and a friend

NARENDRA MODI
Prime Minister of India

A few days ago, we lost a greatly admired and respected icon, Thiru Vijayakanth. He was truly a Captain for everyone—a person who lived his life for the betterment of others, providing leadership and a healing touch to people in need. Personally, Captain was a very dear friend—someone with whom I closely interacted and worked with on several occasions.

Captain was a multifaceted personality. In the world of Indian cinema, few stars have left an indelible mark as Vijayakanth has. There is much to be inspired by in his early years and cinematic work. His journey from humble beginnings to the highs of Tamil cinema is not just a story of stardom but a chronicle of relentless effort and unwavering dedication. He did not enter the world of cinema for fame.

His was a journey driven by passion and perseverance. Each film of his not only entertained but also echoed the societal ethos of its time, resonating deeply with a wide cross-section of the audience.

Captain's roles and how he played them highlighted his deep understanding of the common citizen's struggles. He often portrayed characters that fought against injustice, corruption, violence, extremism, terrorism and stood up for the underdog—qualities that he embodied in real life as well. It would be fair to say that his films were mirrors held up to society, reflecting its virtues and vices. This unique blend of entertainment and social messaging made him stand out. Here, I want to specially highlight his love for rural life and culture. Even after attaining fame and travelling all over the world, his love for village life and traditional ethos remained. His films seemed to have closely followed his rural experience. He often made exemplary efforts to improve the urban people's understanding of the rural milieu.

But Captain's impact was not limited to the silver screen. He entered the world of politics and wanted to serve society in a more extensive manner. His entry to the world of politics was an act of high courage and sacrifice. He entered the political arena when the politics of Tamil Nadu was dominated by two stalwarts—Amma Jayalalithaa and Kalaignar Karunanidhi. In such a context, to present a third alternative was unique but it was also vintage Captain—to do things on his own terms.

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His own emphasis on nationalism and social justice reflected in the ideology of the Desiya Murpokku Dravida Kazhagam (DMDK), which he founded in 2005. Whenever he spoke, one could not miss drawing parallels with his on-screen persona who often championed the cause of the downtrodden. In the highly bipolar and competitive polity of Tamil Nadu, he became the principal opposition leader in 2011, in a relatively short time since his party was formed.

I worked with Captain during the 2014 Lok Sabha elections when our parties fought in an alliance and got over 18.5% votes, the highest that any national alliance without either of the main regional players got after the 1989 elections. I fondly recall a joint rally we did in Salem, where I witnessed his fiery oratory and the connect he had with the people. When the NDA formed the government in 2014, he was among the happiest people. I can never forget his joy at the Central Hall when NDA leaders met after the 2014 poll win.

Beyond his professional achievements, Vijayakanth's life offers valuable lessons to the youth. Most notably, the power of resilience—a never-say-die attitude to overcome any number of challenges through sheer dedication. Equally inspiring is his largehearted nature. He was known for philanthropy—he used his fame and resources to give back to society in many ways. He was always keen that Tamil Nadu and India become leaders in healthcare and education.

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> Narendra Modi, PM

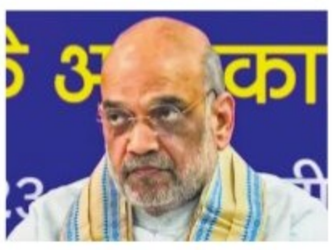
In the passing of Vijayakanth, several people lost their most admired star and lots of people have lost their beloved leader. But I have lost a dear friend—a friend whose warmth and wisdom were remarkable. He leaves behind a void that cannot be filled. The *Kural* talks about how courage, generosity, wisdom and zeal are four essential elements of a successful leader.

Captain truly embodied these traits and that is why he was so widely respected. His legacy will continue to live on in the hearts of his fans, the annals of Tamil cinema and the corridors of public service. And we will keep working to realise his vision for progress and social justice for all.

Shah chairs meet to end local terror network in J&K

Stresses adhering to procedures in anti-terror ops, intensifying local intelligence network

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi



UNION Home Minister Amit Shah on Tuesday reviewed the area domination plan of security agencies in Jammu and Kashmir, aiming to ensure the complete elimination of the threat of terrorism.

Shah chaired the high-level meeting with L-G of J&K Manoj Sinha, NSA Ajit Doval, and other senior officials, examining every aspect of security to be enhanced and implemented across J&K to eliminate even local terror networks.

During the review of the functioning of the security grid and the overall security scenario, Shah instructed officials to strengthen counter-terrorism operations and to eliminate the ecosystem on the ground through time-bound action.

According to an official statement, Shah advised the security agencies to deploy appropriately in vulnerable areas, working with the Modi government's zero-tolerance approach against terrorism. "We have to eliminate the terror system through comprehensive and intensified security approaches," said Shah.

Emphasising the necessity of adhering to due procedures in counter-terror operations, he highlighted the importance of further strengthening local intelligence networks across J&K. He appreciated the efforts of the security agencies and the administration of the UT, noting the significant decline in terror-related incidents, infiltration, and improvements in the law and order situation.

The meeting was held in the wake of an ambush in Poonch district two weeks ago, where five soldiers were killed by terrorists. Additionally, the government reviewed the security arrangements after three civilians were found dead. Shah was also briefed about the prevailing security situation in Jammu and Kashmir. Sources mentioned that Manoj Sinha shared details of the security arrangements in place to check terror activities. NSA Ajit Doval is also understood to have suggested various methods for eliminating the terror ecosystem.

As the next Lok Sabha elections approach, the Modi government seeks to ensure an atmosphere conducive for fair and peaceful polling.

"The government is focusing on eliminating local terror-supporting networks and winning the people's trust, which was also reportedly discussed," said a senior official.

BODYLINE

Anti-drone tech along Pak, China borders

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@ New Delhi

IN view of heightened threat perception over drone attacks, the government is working on a plan to fully secure India's international borders with Pakistan, China, and Bangladesh. According to a top source in the MHA, trials are already on to test an indigenously developed anti-drone system.

The new border defence system has been designed to work in all-weather conditions and its hypermodern technology can spot unauthorised flying objects across the border and shoot them down there itself without letting them enter Indian territory.

"Trials of the anti-drone system are in progress under the technical observation of experts. The government has decided to instal the anti-drone system along the international borders amid increasing number of drone sightings and attempted-intrusions," said a senior official in the MHA.

BSF personnel guarding the international border with Pakistan frequently intercept drones. The number of drone sightings has grown alarmingly high in the past few years. From 35 drone sightings in 2019, the number has gone up to 300 in 2023, of which 107 were shot down.

Pakistan is known to use drones to smuggle drugs and drop fire arms into India through the borders in Jammu and Kashmir and Punjab.

DRONE SIGHTINGS

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Ministry issues ICU admission norms for critical patients

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

FOR the first time, the government has issued guidelines for hospitals on ICU admissions, directing that critically ill patients cannot be admitted to the intensive care unit if there is refusal by the patients and their relatives. The guidelines on ICU admission and discharge criteria further clarify that the requirements for admitting a patient to the ICU should be based on organ failure, the need for organ support, or in anticipation of deterioration in the medical condition.

The Union Health Ministry's new guidelines on ICU admissions, developed by 24 eminent physicians, including experts from Dubai and Canada, recommend that critically ill patients should not be admitted to the ICU if there is a treatment limitation plan for any disease.

According to the guidelines, which include contributions from Dr. Sheila Nainan Myatra of Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai; Dr. RK Mani of Yashoda Superspeciality Hospital, Kaushambi, Ghaziabad; Dr. E Lenin Babu of JIPMER Puducherry; Dr. Anjan Trikha and Dr. Lokesh Kashyap from Delhi AIIMS; and Dr. JV Peter of CMC Vellore, anyone with a living will or advanced directive against ICU care should not be admitted to the ICU.

The seven-page guidelines also state that terminally ill patients with a medical judgment of futility should not be admitted to the ICU. Additionally, those with low priority criteria in a pandemic or disaster situation, where there is a limitation of resources (e.g., beds, workforce, equipment), should not be admitted to the ICU.

The guidelines spell out admission criteria for the ICU, including altered level of consciousness of recent onset, hemodynamic instability, need for respiratory support, patients with acute illness requiring intensive monitoring and organ support, or any medical condition or disease with anticipation of deterioration.

Patients who have experienced any major intraoperative complication like cardiovascular or respiratory instability, or have undergone major surgery, are also included in the criteria for ICU admission.

The guidelines list ICU discharge criteria as well. This includes the return of physiological aberrations to near normal or baseline status, reasonable resolution and stability of the acute illness that necessitated ICU admission, and patient/family agreement for ICU discharge for a treatment-limiting decision or palliative care.

'Put Bihar caste survey findings in public domain'

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Tuesday directed the Bihar government to put in public domain the break-up and findings of the caste survey to enable aggrieved petitioners challenge the findings.

While hearing petitions challenging the survey, the court upheld the Patna High Court backing the state government's decision to conduct such an exercise.

A two-judge bench of the top court, headed by Justice Sanjiv Khanna and also comprising Justice Dipankar Datta said, "Sorry, we are not inclined to pass any interim relief (to the petitioners) as they (the government) have a high court order in their favour," the top court said and fixed the matter for further hearing to January 29. The court also clarified that it will examine the legal issue of the correctness of the high court judgement and legality of such an exercise by the state of Bihar government later on.

It was hearing the pleas field by the non-governmental organisations -- filed by Ek Soch Ek Prayas and Youth for Equality -- against the state government and the Patna High Court's order upholding the Bihar government's decision to conduct such an exercise with respect to caste survey. "It is not possible to stay the state (Bihar) government order at this time. There are some limitations on this side as well. We will look into your prayer," Justice Khanna said.

According to the petitions, the Bihar government's decision to conduct a caste survey in the state was violative and against the very basic structure of the Indian Constitution.

The petitioners alleged that the notification was "discriminatory and unconstitutional".

The Centre also had entered the legal fray and filed an affidavit earlier before the Supreme Court, emphasising that the Census Act, 1948, bestows exclusive authority upon the Central Government to conduct census-related activities.

The affidavit reaffirmed the government's commitment to uplift Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs), Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBCs), and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in line with constitutional provisions and applicable laws.

One of the petitions, represented by advocate Tanya Shree on behalf of petitioner Akhilesh Kumar, contested the Patna High Court's dismissal of pleas challenging the Nitish Kumar government's decision to conduct the caste-based survey.

On October 2, 2023, the Nitish Kumar government had released the findings of the caste survey, a move its detractors claimed was made keeping in mind the 2024 Parliamentary elections. The data revealed that the OBCs and EBCs constituted a whopping 63 per cent of the state's population.

According to the data released, the state's total population stood at a little over 13.07 crore, out of which the Extremely Backward Classes (36 per cent) were the largest social segment followed by the Other Backward Classes at 27.13 per cent.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

PIL challenges new law on EC appointment

Amid a political row over dropping the CJI from a panel empowered to choose the chief election commissioner and election commissioners, an advocate has moved the Supreme Court, seeking quashing of the new law that accords the central government sweeping powers to to make appointments to the poll body.

Safety measures to stop train accidents

The Supreme Court sought to know from the Centre about the protective measures implemented or proposed to be implemented, including the automatic train protection system 'Kavach', to prevent train accidents in the country. A bench was hearing a petition which raised the issue of safety measures to prevent train accidents.

After 2 years, Jaishankar may attend India-Nepal meet to boost energy ties

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

EXTERNAL Affairs Minister S Jaishankar is likely to be in Kathmandu on Thursday for the 7th India Nepal Joint Commission meeting.

The meeting is taking place after two years as the last meeting was held on January 14, 2021 in New Delhi. "Jaishankar and his counterpart from Nepal, NP Saud will be at the helm of the meeting. Energy cooperation, and increasing the funding of development projects in Nepal would be discussed," a source said.

India and Nepal have been in talks for furthering energy cooperation agreement since Nepal Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal visited Delhi last summer. "A long-term power trade agreement has been signed between India and Nepal. Under this agreement, we have set a target of importing 10,000 mw of electricity in Nepal," said Prime Minister Narendra Modi, after meeting Prime Minister Dahal in New Delhi on June 1, 2023. India is also likely to construct a new pipeline between Siliguri and Jhapa in eastern Nepal.

India's proposal to increase funds for small development projects under the High-impact Community Development Projects, is also expected to be discussed and signed.

Jaishankar, who is expected to be accompanied by MEA officials, is likley to meet Prime Minister Dahala, President Ram Chandra Paudel, Nepali Congress leader Sher Bahadur Deuba and former PM KP Sharma Oli. Although the MEA has not made a formal announcement of the visit, it is learnt that Jaishankar will land in Kathmandu on Thursday morning and will co-chair the commission's meet, said sources.

India and UAE conduct maiden military drill

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE militaries of India and the United Arab Emirates on Tuesday began their maiden exercise Desert Storm in Mahajan, Rajasthan in a mark of rising strategic ties between the two countries. "The exercise is scheduled to be conducted in Mahajan, Rajasthan from January 2 to 15. The UAE contingent is being represented by troops from the Zayed First Brigade," said the Indian Army. The UAE Land Forces contingent of 45 personnel is participating in the first edition of the exercise christened 'Desert Cyclone'.

"The Indian Army contingent comprises 45 personnel and is being represented mainly by a battalion from the Mechanised Infantry Regiment," Indian Army added. As per the Army drills planned to be rehearsed during exercise Desert Cyclone' include establishment of a joint surveillance centre, cordon and search operation, domination of built-up area and heliborne operations.

SOLDIERS
151 Myanmarese soldiers, who fled during armed clashes with an ethnic insurgent group in the neighbouring country and came to Mizoram, were sent back on Tuesday, an Assam Rifles officer said.

4 BIKES IN FIRE AT SHOWROOM IN MAHA'S THANE

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	28	17	Mumbai	30	22
Bhopal	28	14	Panaji	34	21
Jaipur	22	08	Patna	16	12
Amritsar	14	08	Lucknow	19	09
Chennai	31	21	Port Blair	31	25
Kolkata	25	16	Imphal	23	08
Srinagar	08	-2	Chandigarh	17	10

Soren calls MLAs meet, replies to ED

Amid buzz over 'change' of guard, Jharkhand Chief Minister says will challenge probe

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

AMID speculation that something big is imminent in Jharkhand politics, the state's ruling alliance led by the JMM has called a legislature party meeting on Wednesday. The move comes amid a buzz that the Gandey Assembly seat has been vacated for CM Hemant Soren's wife Kalpana in case the ongoing probe by the Enforcement Directorate in a land scam case turns against him.

Soren has skipped all previous seven summons issued to him for questioning in the land scam case. He was given a deadline of two days asking about his availability for the questioning, which too has expired. In the seventh summons issued to him on December 29, the ED asked him to decide the date, time and place himself, making it convenient for the officials to interrogate him.

Meanwhile, Soren on Tuesday sent a sealed envelope to the office of the Enforcement Directorate through a special messenger from the CM secretariat. In his three-page letter, Soren is learnt to have said that he would challenge the investigation.

ED sources said it is very unlikely that Soren would join questioning because he has doubted the investigation itself. Soren in his letter is said to have indicated that he is not going to appear before the investigating agency. He also alleged that issuing summons one after another against him is politically motivated and is an attempt to malign his image.

According to Soren, media gets all information ahead of the summons received by him triggering a media trial, which is not justified.

The ED has already summoned Soren six times in land scam case but he has ignored all of them. The Jharkhand High Court has also rejected his petition challenging the summons issued against him by the ED in the case.

Soren moved the Jharkhand High Court after the Supreme Court refused to entertain his petition directing him to approach the High Court instead of coming directly to the apex court.

Soren skipped the first summons on August 14, and wrote to the ED asking it to withdraw the summons or he will be forced to take legal action against the agency. But, the ED again issued summons against Soren asking him to appear before it on August 24. Soren skipped it again, writing again to the ED saying that he has filed a writ petition in the Supreme Court challenging the summons issued to him. But he was summoned again for a third time.

Soren was waiting for the hearing of his petition in the Supreme Court on September 17. But before that he was issued fresh summons by ED asking to appear before it on September 23. In spite of going to ED office, Soren approached the Jharkhand High Court against the summons issued against him and sought relief.

A few days later, ED issued fresh summons, this time for the fifth time, asking Soren to appear before the central investigation agency on October 4, which he skipped again.

CASE AGAINST SOREN

14 August ED sends first summons to Soren

29 December CM skipped the summons for the 7th time

Jharkhand HC has rejected his plea against the summons

Supreme Court has refused to entertain his plea directing him to approach the HC

Land scam case & charge
Early 2022, a probe into the forgery of 100-year-old land documents exposed a scam in allegedly involving Soren. Charge: Money laundering

14 arrests so far
They include 2011-batch IAS officer Chhavi Ranjan

Summons triggering media trial not justified, says Soren

Manipur violence: 7 security officials injured in gunfight

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

SEVEN security personnel were injured during a gunfight with unidentified miscreants near Moreh in Manipur on Tuesday morning with Chief Minister N Biren Singh suspecting the involvement of mercenaries from Myanmar in the incident.

Of the seven, four are police commandos while three are from Border Security Force (BSF). The four commandos and one BSF jawan were airlifted to Imphal and admitted to the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences.

The gunfight occurred after two persons were picked up by the police for reasons not known. Local women made an attempt to secure the duo's release and soon, the unidentified gunmen opened fire targeting the security personnel and they retaliated. The site of the incident is very close to the India-Myanmar border.

The CM said reinforcements had been sent to Moreh while a search operation was going on "widely". He said it was being carried out jointly by state and central forces.

"We suspect the involvement of foreign mercenaries from Myanmar side in the incident. Multiple sources have told us this. The involvement of KNA-B is highly possible," Singh said. Kuki National Army operates two armed wings, one in India while the other in Myanmar, known as KNA-B.

Further, the CM said the state government had been in touch with the central ministry concerned. He said whatever the state government was doing in Moreh and other parts of the state was with the consent and approval of the Centre.

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In Maha, Deputy CMs have the final word

In a surprising turn of events, Manoj Saunik, a 1987 IAS officer, recently resigned as the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, making way for his successor, Nitin Karir, from the 1988 IAS officer batch. Saunik had high hopes for a three-month extension, and his application with the approval of CM Eknath Shinde was sent to Delhi. While everything seemed set for Saunik, two deputies ultimately prevented his extension. This incident serves as a lesson for Maharashtra bureaucrats: the consent of CM Shinde alone may not suffice for promotions and key postings; the deputies' support is equally crucial.

Hon degree distributed like confetti

Maharashtra's Deputy Chief Minister, Devendra Fadnavis, has been honoured with a Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) degree by Japan's Koyasan University for his significant contributions to water conservation and infrastructure development in the state. Just a few months ago, CM Eknath Shinde received a PhD from DY Patil Institute for contributions to social, health, and disaster management sectors. This is the first time that both state CM (Shinde) and DCM (Fadnavis) hold honorary PhDs, while their counterpart DCM Ajit Pawar in Nagpur has questioned the significance of such degrees.

Narvekar strategies as SC deadline nears

The Supreme Court has set a deadline of January 10 for Maharashtra State Assembly Speaker Rahul Narvekar to make decisions regarding the disqualification of Shiv Sena MLAs, including Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde. There is speculation in the corridors of power in Maharashtra about Narvekar's decision. Given that Narvekar is also a BJP MLA, it is unlikely that he will disqualify Shinde, as the BJP had assured that Shiv Sena MLAs would not be disqualified. Another possibility is that Narvekar may ask the court to handle disqualification case, or he may resign as the Speaker to contest polls from South Mumbai.

GUJARAT HC

'Prima facie not inclined to junk FIR against Teesta'

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THE Gujarat High Court on Monday stated that it was not inclined to dismiss an FIR submitted against activist Teesta Setalvad in 2006 in connection with the Pandarwada mass grave digging case.

Justice Sandeep Bhatt asked Setalvad's lawyer, "After going through the record, I'm not inclined, prima facie," Justice Bhatt stated, and scheduled the case for hearing on January 9.

To this, Setalvad's lawyer, Yogesh Ravani, informed the bench that he would do everything he could to convince the court that "no offense is made out". "The FIR contains nothing. There is no evidence of an offense. It's just political victimization," the attorney argued. The court was hearing Setalvad's petition to nullify an FIR registered against her in the Pandarwada mass grave digging case in the Mahisagar district in 2006.

After her name appeared in a 2011 FIR related to the excavation of 28 bodies from a mass burial site near Pandarwada of Gujarat in December 2005, Setalvad filed a plea in court in 2017. The bodies were those who died in the post-Godhra riots. Gujarat police filed a formal complaint in 2006 alleging fabricating evidence, destroying evidence, entering burial site without permission, and inciting religious sentiment.

LS polls: 2 Kashmir-based parties to join hands to counter INDIA alliance

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

WITH NC and PDP, who are part of INDIA alliance, likely to contest the forthcoming parliamentary elections in Jammu and Kashmir unitedly, the two more Kashmir-based parties — Peoples Conference of former minister Sajjad Gani Lone and Apni Party of former minister Altaf Bukhari, which are being accused by parties of having tacit support of BJP – may join hands and field joint candidates in all three Kashmir seats to counter the INDIA alliance parties.

With INDIA alliance parties likely to jointly contest the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections, there is high possibility that PDP will leave the Baramulla-Kupwara seat in north Kashmir and Srinagar seat in central Kashmir for the NC and may seek Anantnag-Rajouri LS seat while Congress may contest both the LS seats from Jammu.

In the last parliamentary polls, NC had won all three LS seats from Valley while BJP had won both the seats from Jammu region and lone seat from Ladakh, which is now a separate Union Territory after abrogation of Article 370 and bifurcation of erstwhile J&K state into two UTs on August 5, 2019.

With BJP having a strong support base in Jammu region, the saffron party would contest both the seats in Jammu region besides the now renamed Anantnag-Rajouri seat which also includes areas from border districts of Poonch and Rajouri in Jammu region.

The saffron party may also field candidates for two Valley seats — Baramulla-Kupwara and Srinagar Lok Sabha seat in central Kashmir or may enter into poll understanding with parties other than INDIA alliance parties, political observers opine. The two Kashmir-based parties — Peoples Conference (PC) of former minister Sajjad Gani Lone and Apni Party of influential businessman and former minister Altaf Bukhari – are thinking in terms of poll understanding for the parliamentary polls.

In this regard Sajad Lone and Altaf Bukhari met last week and deliberated in detail the forthcoming parliamentary polls, sources said. The meeting is significant as it was the first meeting between the two leaders, who are both from north Kashmir. While Lone hails from Handwara, Bukhari hails from Baramulla.

'NC an enemy'
Peoples Conference and Apni Party consider J&K's NC as their primary enemy and may feel that Baramulla-Kupwara LS seat is their best bet to create an upset and wrest the seat from NC. If their talks succeed, they may field joint candidates for two other Valley seats to play spoilsport for alliance parties.

Yadav-led MP cabinet's 1st meet in Jabalpur today, Cong MP hails move

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bhopal

WITH the first meeting of the full-fledged state cabinet headed by chief minister Dr Mohan Yadav scheduled to take place in Jabalpur on Wednesday, legal eagle and Congress MP Vivek Tankha has welcomed the move of the meeting in his home city.

Making a series of posts on the social media platform X (formerly twitter), Tankha wrote "In February 2019, the then chief minister Kamal Nath held the state cabinet meeting in Jabalpur, for the first time in the history of Madhya Pradesh."

"During the 2023 assembly polls campaign, I had got assurance from Priyanka Gandhi and Kamal Nath to hold a state cabinet meeting again in Jabalpur once the Congress returned to power in the state. I'm happy that the Mohan Yadav-led BJP government is fulfilling my resolution by holding the state cabinet meeting in Jabalpur on Wednesday," Tankha wrote.

"I love Jabalpur and was angry over it being ignored. I'm thankful to Rakesh Singh (former Jabalpur MP and first-time-MLA-turned MP cabinet minister) for his efforts to ensure that Jabalpur creates history again on January 3, 2024," Tankha further posted.

He added, "Had I not been abroad, I would have definitely savoured this historic moment in Jabalpur on January 3, ."

Importantly, Tankha had in June 2023, at a Congress's poll rally in Jabalpur in presence of Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and Kamal Nath raised the issue of interests of Vindhya, Mahakoshal and Bundelkhand regions being ignored through representation in the then Shivraj Singh Chouhan-led government.

Importantly, Yadav will chair the full-fledged state cabinet meeting at Shakti Bhawan in Jabalpur on Wednesday. It will be the first state cabinet meeting since the formation of the 31-strong council of ministers in the state. The city of Jabalpur (which is considered the gateway to the tribal-dominated Mahakoshal region) is also known as MP's Sanskardhani (culture capital).

Importantly, after being sworn in as the MP CM on December 13, 2023 along with two deputy CMs – Jagdish Dewda and Rajendra Shukla – Mohan Yadav had chaired the first meeting of the state cabinet with the two deputy CMs at the state secretariat in Bhopal.

At the meeting, a series of important decisions, including the start of PM College of Excellence in every district, crackdown against illegaluse of sound amplifiers at public places and action against sale of animal meat, were taken.

CM Mohan Yadav distributes 'Akshat' rice grains ahead of Ram Temple event | PTI

Would have savoured this historic moment: Cong MP
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Arctic warming 4 times more than rest of planet

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Indian researchers in the Arctic

"INITIALLY, it took us some time to acclimatise ourselves to long polar nights when we arrived here on December 21, but now we are much better off," the researchers said on a video call with *TNIE*. NCPOR is the nodal agency for the Arctic expedition and managing Himadri, India's research and housing facility. They conduct research at Ny- Ålesund, the world's northernmost year-round global research station at Svalbard.

"Long-term and continuous atmospheric data from Himadri is critical, as the Arctic is warming nearly four times more than the rest of the world," said NCPOR Director Thamban Meloth.

Girish is in the Arctic to find out if Himadri can be a suitable site to deploy SARAS (telescope developed by RRI that provides astronomers clues to the nature of the universe's first stars and galaxies) for experiments on the cosmic dawn. "Not much is known about the cosmic dawn because of a lack of proper observation. The signals are extremely faint and difficult because of brighter radiation from our galaxy and man-made terrestrial interference," added Girish. Cosmic dawn is the period from about 50 million years to one billion years after the Big Bang, when the first stars, black holes and galaxies in the universe were formed.

Athulya is studying the impact of warming in a coastal Arctic."Warming is prominent in winter and that is when precipitation is also strong. As someone focussed on precipitation variability, I am looking at the impact of warming on precipitation," she added.

Surendra's specialisation is atmospheric lightning and he is studying the electrical characteristics of clouds over the Arctic during winters. "Observation of electric fields and current during lightning periods over the Arctic would provide an opportunity to understand the electrical properties of thunderstorms. The experiment will continue for three years to compare data of summer and winter seasons," he added.

Prashant is undertaking sampling of aerosols (tiny particles suspended in the atmosphere). "Lack of yearly data and comparison between seasons for aerosol parameters leads to uncertainty in the estimation of the effect of aerosols on polar and global climate. The Arctic has different sources of aerosols round the year. Winter plays a very specific role as absence of photochemistry can help in better understanding of primary sources and secondary pathways, and also increased ice cover area, which has significant aerosol deposition," he added.

Dr Rohit Srivastava, scientist, NCPOR, who is also nodal officer of Indian Arctic Operations, said India is developing PolAerNet -- a polar aerosol network in all three poles (Arctic, Antarctic and Himalayas) to understand the role of aerosols in polar warming.

Besides work, the researchers spoke about bonhomie among the global scientist community as neighbours in this tiny village. "There are rules that at the dinner table, no one will carry a gadget. We talk about ourselves and the experiments. We bond well," said the team. The fear of polar bears is real since the Arctic is their natural habitat and there are guidelines for them to stay safe. "We are well taken care of by Kings Bay, the Norwegian facilitator for Ny-Ålesund Research Station. The temperature inside Himadri is controlled, and when we have to go to the Gruvebadet atmospheric laboratory, located about 1km south of Ny-Ålesund, we are provided with necessary polar gear and snow scooters. It's a beautiful place. The moonshine keeps us company," they added.

Nitish may finally get I.N.D.I.A convener post

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AS the battle for 2024 heats up, the Opposition alliance INDIA is likely to name Bihar Chief Minister and Janata Dal (United) president Nitish Kumar as its national convener, according to sources. Congress sources told this newspaper that the party has reached out to the Bihar CM in a bid to pacify the sulking leader and a decision will be announced soon.

Senior Congress leaders including Salman Khurshid were in touch with Nitish and other alliance partners also backed the idea of making the Bihar leader the convenor of the bloc. Last week, Rahul Gandhi had also reached out to Nitish, said a party leader. When asked if the convener will become an automatic candidate for prime minister, the leader said, "There is no precondition that the convener will become the PM. The party with more seats can claim the post."

There were reports that Nitish was upset after West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal proposed Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge's name as the bloc's PM face at the INDIA bloc meeting last month.

Speculation was also rife that the JD(U) may return to the NDA fold after Nitish was elected the president of the party last week. However, the party dismissed such rumours asserting that Nitish will lead seat-sharing talks with the 28-party bloc and lead the campaign across the country.

U'khand halts outsiders from buying farm land

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

THE Uttarakhand government has imposed an interim ban on the purchase of land by people of others states for agricultural and horticulture purposes.

A decision to this effect was taken at a high-level meeting chaired by Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami late on Sunday evening.

While giving this information, a spokesman said, "On the instructions of the Chief Minister, it has been decided in the interest of the state and public interest that till the submission of the report of the Land Law Committee or till further orders, the District Magistrate will not allow people from outside the state to purchase land for agriculture and horticulture purposes in Uttarakhand".

Earlier, the CM had mandated that land purchases in the state be approved only after thorough background checks on the buyers. During the meeting, he instructed officials to ensure that the newly formed expert committee on land law holds extensive public hearings and seeks input from people and experts across different domains.

According to government sources, as per the amendment made in 2004 in Section 154 of the Uttar Pradesh Zamindari and Land Reforms Act 1950, individuals who do not hold immovable property in Uttarakhand before September 12, 2003, are allowed to purchase land for agricultural and horticultural purposes with the permission of the district magistrate.

Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Belagavi

Tender Invited (E- Procurement)

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1st corrigendum to Bid Identification No. Bridge Tender Online RWCSBP-48/2023-24.

0-2074: Following modifications are hereby made to the notice inviting tender vide this office Bid ID No. Bridge Tender Online RWCSBP-48/2023-24.

1. The availability of tender online for bidding may be read as 26.12.2023 from 11.00 AM to 09.01.2024 up to 5.00PM instead of from 26.12.2023 from 11.00 AM to 09.01.2023 up to 5.00 PM.
2. The last date & time for seeking clarification may be read as 05.01.2024 up to 5.00 PM instead of 05.01.2023 up to 5.00 PM.
3. The date & time of technical opening bid may be read as 10.01.2024 at 11.00 AM instead of 10.01.2023 at 11.00 AM.

All other terms and condition remain unchanged.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer,
R.W. Circle, Sambalpur

OIPR- 25091/11/0076/2324

PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is hereby given by Rajeev Sarda Director Sparrow Technologies Ltd. stating that the documents mentioned below: **1.** Original Sale Deed document No. 4514/84-85 dtd.11/02/1985, registered on 14/02/1985, between BDA represented by its Deputy Secretary and Mr. H.N.R. Iyengar. **2.** Original Sale Agreement, document No. 4496/1987-88, dated: 14/09/1987, between Mr. H.N.R. Iyengar and Mr. S.S.A. Khader. **3.** Original Possession Certificate issued by the office of the City Improvement Trust Board **4.** Original Allotment letter issued by BDA For the Site No. 679, 3rd Block Koramangala are lost / misplaced. The loss of these documents has been reported on 15/12/2023. If anyone has found them, kindly handover @ No. 345, Raheja Arcade, Koramangala Industrial Area, Bangalore-560095. Ph: 89700 60053.

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DEPARMENT Office of The Executive Engineer, R.D.W & S, Division, Haveri

Sl.No.RDW&SD/Haveri/PB-1/Tender:22/2023-24/1441 Date : 30-12-2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(1) Last Date for Tender queries/ Clarifications : **06-01-2024** at : 11:00 hours (2) Request of Blank Tender Documents and Receipt of completed Technical & Financial Bid through e-procurement from : **12-01-2024** at: 17:00 hours (3) Date of Technical Bid Opening (If possible) : **16-01-2024** @ 10:00 hours (4) Date of Financial Bid Opening (If possible) : **18-01-2024** @ 10:00 hours (5) Date of Pre bid meeting at Executive Engineer, R.D.W & S Division, Haveri : **09-01-2024** at : 11:00 hours

Inviting tenders of Water Supply works of Hangla Taluk under JJM scheme.

Indent No : (1) Augmentation of MVS to Chikkounshi Hosur & other 11 Villages in Hangal Taluk of Haveri Dist Under Jal Jeevan Mission Project. (RWSSD/2023-24/WS/ WORK_INDENT7483)

The blank tender documents can be downloaded through website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from the date of hosting the tender.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
R.D.W&S Division, Haveri

DIPR/HVR/KSMCA/393/2023-24

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -2, BENGALURU
4th Floor, BSNL Building, Telephone House No.4, Residency Road, Bengaluru -560 001

SALE PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION OF SALE UNDER RULE 52(2) OF SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS AND BANKRUPTACY ACT, 1993

TRC No.1285/2018 in OA No.2102/2014

Karnataka Bank Ltd., Nelamangala Branch, Bengaluru Rural . ...**Certificate Holder Bank**

V/s

Sri Govindaiah S (Died), Rep by his LRs & Others ...**Certificate Debtors**

To, **1) Mr. Prasanna M.G.** S/o. Late Govindaiah, R/at Manniganahalli , Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara Dist., **2. Geeta,** D/o. Late Govindaiah, R/at Manniganahalli , Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. 3**. Ms. Veena,** D/o. Late Govindaiah, R/at Manniganahalli , Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. **4. Sri. Ramesh K,** S/o. Kuralaiah A. H. Arebommanahalli, Dabaspet, nelamangala. **5. Mrs. Marihonnamma,** W/o. Late Govindaiah S, R/at Manniganahalli, Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. ...**Certified Debtors**

The under mentioned property will be sold by 'online e-Auction' through web site: **www.foreclosureindia.com** on **08.02.2024** for recovery of an amount of **Rs.57,10,000.00** (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs Ten Thousand only) excluding costs and interest thereon w.e.f. the date of application ie., 30.11.2023 to till date 01.12.2023 as per recovery certificate bearing **TRC No.1285/2018 in OA No.2102/2014.**

Date and Time of Auction	**08.02.2024 Between 11.00 a.m. and 12.30 P.M.**
Reserve Price	**Rs.1,10,00,000/-** (Rupees One Crore Ten Lakhs Only)
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**Rs.10,10,000/-** (Rupees Ten Lakhs TenThousand Only)
Bid Increment Amount	**Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only)**
Last Date & Time of e-Tender form & EMD submission	**06.02.2024 at 3.00 P.M.**

SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All the piece and parcel of the Agricultural land to an extent of 6 acres 3 Guntas in Sy. No. 132/1, situated at Manniganahalli, Kundur Hobli, magadi Taluk, Ramanagaram Dist., with the following boudnaries : East by : Chikkanahnumaiah's Land, West by : Gopalaiah's Land, North by : Gamgaoaj's Land, South by : Moodalagiaiah's Land.

Claims, if any, which have been put forward to the property, and any other known particulars bearing on its nature and value : Dues of Kamataka Bank, as per the TRC No. 1285/2018 , in OA 2102/2014.

For Terms and condition of sale visit website: **www.foreclosureindia. com** at the web portal. For further details contact : Mr. Jayaprakash Reddy Mob: 8142000809, 8142000066 e-mail id : info@bankauctions.in For further details contact: **Mr. Harish,** Branch Manager, Karnataka Bank Ltd., **Contact Mob. No. 9741777409(BM),9663376808 (ABM) and e-Mail ID : blr.nelamangala@ktkbank.com.**

Given under my hand and the seal on this the **15.12.2023**

Sd/-
Recovery Officer-I
Debts Recovery Tribunal-2, Bengaluru

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC MALLESHWARAM (41161)
No. 97, Railway Parallel Road, Kumarapark West, Bangalore -560020
Ph: 080 25943732, 25943720 ,Email: racpc.bz1@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

UNDER SUB SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED ACT)

At your request, State Bank of India has extended credit facility to you, **Late Satyanarayana Kudur,** S/o Late Narasingarao K. through its Atomic Energy Department Branch, Bengaluru, various credit facility by way of financial assistance against various assets creating security interest in favour of the bank. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities and the security agreement / documents executed by the borrower are furnished in the demand notice dated **04.10.2023.** The said financial assistance is also secured by way of deposit of title deeds creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The relevant particular of the secured asset is specifically furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facility has become irregular, the debt has been classified as Non Performing Asset on **29.05.2023** in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice Dated **04.10.2023.** sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged by you, hence this notice is now published

The accounts have been assigned from Atomic Energy Department Branch, Bengaluru to RACPC, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, for maintenance and hence the undersigned is competent to issue the notice.

A/c No.: HBL - 35727114345

Name and address of the Borrowers: **Late Satyanarayana Kudur,** S/o Late Narasingarao K.No. 425, Krishna, A1 Block, National Games Village, Koramangala,Bengaluru – 560047,**By his surviving legal heirs:** 1.Smt Amoghavarsha, D/o Late Satyanarayana Kudur, No. 425, Krishna, A1 Block, National Games Village, Koramangala,Bengaluru – 560047,**2.Sri Ajit S Kudur,** S/o Late Satyanarayana Kudur,No. 425, Krishna, A1 Block, National Games Village,Koramangala,Bengaluru – 560047, **3.Smt Geetha S Kudur,** W/o Late Satyanarayana Kudur, No. 425, Krishna, A1 Block, National Games Village, Koramangala, Bengaluru – 560047.

Outstanding Loan Amount: Rs. 16,61,413-00 (Rupees Sixteen lakh sixty one thousand four hundred thirteen only) as on 29.09.2023 and interest from 30.09.2023 with future interest at the contractual rate together with incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc thereon.

Schedule of Property : All that part and parcel of Residential house Property bearing Site No. 602, measuring East West 18 meter X North to South 12 meter, totally measuring 216 square meters situated at 5th Block, Sir M Visveshwaraiah Layout formed by BDA Layout, Nagarbhavi, Bengaluru – 560072. Property standing in the name of Late Satyanarayana Kudur, Represented by his Legal heirs. **Bound:**On the East by:Road, On the West by: Site No. 592 & 591,On the North by: Site No. 603,On the South by:Site No. 601

Mortgage Deed No. BDA-1-01366-2010-11 Dated 06.09.2010 Registered at SRO, Unit-1, Bengaluru.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act whereunder you can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire amount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not tendered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s).

Date : **04.10.2023**
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India, RACPC Malleshwaram , Bengaluru

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC MALLESHWARAM (41161)
No. 97, Railway Parallel Road, Kumarapark West, Bangalore -560020
Ph: 080 25943732, 25943720 ,Email: racpc.bz1@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

UNDER SUB SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED ACT)

At your request, State Bank of India has extended credit facility to you, **Sri K Raja,** S/o Late P Krishnamurthy, through its PBB Palace Orchards Branch, Bengaluru, various credit facility by way of financial assistance against various assets creating security interest in favour of the bank. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities and the security agreement / documents executed by the borrower are furnished in the demand notice dated **09.11.2023.** The said financial assistance is also secured by way of deposit of title deeds creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The relevant particular of the secured asset is specifically furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facility has become irregular, the debt has been classified as Non Performing Asset on **28.10.2023** in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice Dated **09.11.2023.** sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged by you, hence this notice is now published

The accounts have been transferred from PBB Palace Orchards Branch, Bengaluru to RACPC, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, for administration reasons and hence the undersigned is competent to issue the notice.

A/c No.: HL 30512205981

Name and address of the Borrowers: **1.Sri K Raja,** S/o Late P Krishnamurthy, #6/10-1, Rajanilaya, 9th Main, 7th Cross,Parimala Nagar, Nandini Layout, Near Indian Gas godown,Bengaluru – 560096,**2.Smt R Shanthi,** W/o Sri K Raja, # 6/10-1, Rajanilaya, 9th Main, 7th Cross, Parimala Nagar, Nandini Layout,Near Indian Gas godown, Bengaluru – 560096, **Also at:** Sri K Raja, S/o Late P Krishnamurthy # 151, 1st Floor, Jolly Mohalla, Masjid Road,Cottonpet, Bengaluru – 560053,**Also at:Sri K Raja,** S/o Late P Krishnamurthy, Door No. 13, Rajpooth Block, Lashkar Mohalla,Near Ganesh Temple,Mysore - 570021

Outstanding Loan Amount: Rs.6,13,040-00 (Rupees Six lakh thirteen thousand forty only) as on 08.11.2023 and interest from 09.11.2023 with future interest at the contractual rate together with incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc thereon.

Schedule of Property : All that part and parcel of Residential property bearing Municipal No. 11, PID No. 12-83-11, (formerly No. 74, formed in Khata No. 1 of Jarakabande Kaval Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk) now situated at 8th Main road, Nandini Layout, BBMP Ward No. 12, Bengaluru. Measuring East to West 30.00 feet X North to South 40.00 feet, totally measuring 1200 square feet. Property standing in the joint name of Sri K Raja, S/o late P Krishnamurthy and Smt R Shanthi, W/o Sri K Raja. **Bound:** On the East by : Property No. 73, On the West by Property No. 75, On the North by Road, On the South by Property No. 53

Mortgage Deed No. RJN-1-01952-2008-09 Dated 17.10.2008 at Sub Registrar Office, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act whereunder you can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire amount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not tendered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s).

Date : **09.11.2023**
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
RACPC Malleshwaram, Bengaluru

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JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Mr. Rajesh N, Prop. M/s. Rajesh Timber, Also at: M/s. Rajesh Timber, 2) Mrs. Manjula N	Loan Account No. 46459440000245 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.4, Janjaru No.04, SL No.04, Situated at Agasarahalli Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Hoskote and **Bounded by the: East by:** Prakash's Property, **West by:** L Rudraiah's Property, **North by:** 12th feet Road, **South by:** Vacate land. Measuring East to West 34 feet and North to South 40 feet.	Date of NPA: 02-12-2023 Demand Notice Date: 30-12-2023	Rs.3,46,047.29 (Rupees Three Lakh Forty Six Thousand Forty Seven and Twenty Nine Paisa Only) due as on 25-12-2023

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 03.01.2024, Place: Bangalore Rural — **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mrs. UMME SAIMA, D/o. Mr. Shaikh Abdul Salam, Residing at No.245/250, Jain Temple Road Cross, Thimmaiah Road, Shivajinagar, H.K.P. Road, Bangalore-560051, intends to purchase the schedule property from Mr. Irshad Ahmed, S/o. Mr. S.A. Mukkarum, residing at No.717, Hegde Nagar, Thanisandra, Arabic College Post, Bangalore - 560045, Those who are having any title, right, claim or interest in the Schedule property may contact me with their legitimate claims within 7 days, failing which my client will purchase the Schedule property, as the same is free from all claims/encumbrance and no claim shall be entertained later.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site Nos. 77 and 78, Old Khatha No. 717 and 929/2, New Khatha No. 7559, Situated at Thanisandra Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring East to West: 30 feet and North to South: 50 feet, in all measuring 1500 Sq.ft., and bounded on East by: 20 feet Road, West by: Private property, North by: Private property: South by: Private property. There is one square AC Sheet house built in Bricks and Mud Flooring, no other civic amenities, Steel Windows, doors are made by jungle wood.

K. AJAYAKUMAR, Advocate,
M/s AJAY & ASSOCIATES,
18, 1st Floor, Thimmaiah Garden,
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Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-op Bank Ltd.,

Head Office : B.H. Road, Tumkur-572103, Karnataka,
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TENDER CUM - AUCTION SALE NOTICE

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY UNDER SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

Whereas, below Mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the debt in respect of borrowing from **TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OP BANK LTD., Indiranagar Branch, Bangalore.** The total amount due and payable by them jointly and severally as per the agreed terms and conditions is mentioned below along with interest at the applicable rate and costs thereon.

Whereas the Bank has issued notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the Act, the Authorised Officer has taken possession of the mortgaged property including those more fully described hereunder, and the Bank has decided to sell the below mentioned property under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act read with the relevant rules of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Name of Borrower/ Guarantor	Description of Property	Total Amount due, Date & Time of Opening Tender and Place of Auction	Reserve Price & EMD Amount
Sri. Nagesh R S/o Sri. Ramaiah, No.140, 1st Cross, Siddapura, Ramagondanahali, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560066 **Personal Guarantee of** **1) Smt. Malashri** W/o Nagesh R, No.140, 1st Cross, Siddapura, Ramagondanahalii, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560066. **2) Smt. Rathna .M** W/o Ramesh, No.4, 12th Cross, Giriyappa Layout, Kaggdaspura, C V Ramanagar, Bengaluru.	All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing old K No 28/1 and present BBMP K No 680/682/471/28/1 formed in converted land bearing Sy No.28/1 situated at Tubarahalli to Whitefield main Road, behind "ADHUNIKA SERENITY APARTMENT" Thubarahalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore , measuring East – West 48 Feet and North – South 94 Feet. Total measuring 4512 SFT. And building thereon bounded on the : East by : Adhunika apartment, West by: property belongs to Sri Ramaiah, Reddy, North by: Property belongs to Sri Ravi, South by: property belongs Nagappa.S children.	**Rs. 1,26,36,988/-(Rupees One Crore Twenty Six Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand Nine Hundred And Eighty Eight Only) as on 03-09-2019, along with interest at the applicable rate and costs thereon.** .... **06.02.2024 at 12.30 PM** ------- **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd., 2nd Cross, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar Bangalore 560010.**	**Rs.2,64,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Sixty Four Lakh Only)** **EMD: Rs.26,40,000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Fourty Thousand Only)**
Sri. Nagesh.R S/o Sri. Ramaiah, No.140, 1st Cross, Siddapura, Ramagondanahalii, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560066. **Personal Guarantee of** **1) Smt. Malashri** W/o Nagesh R, No.140, 1st Cross, Siddapura, Ramagondanahalii, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560066. **2) Smt. Rathna .M** W/o Ramesh, No.4, 12th Cross, Giriyappa Layout, Kaggdaspura, C V Ramanagar, Bengaluru	All that piece and parcel of the RCC roofed Residential Immovable Property consisting of Ground floor, First floor, Second floor, and Terrace floor constructed in old siddapura village Khaneshumari No 36, property No 145 and present BBMP Khata No 165/145, measuring East-West 31.5 ft and North – south 85 feet total measuring 2677.5 Sft, situated at Siddapura village, varthur hobli, Bangalore east taluk. Bounded on the : East by : Property of Late siddappa, West by : Property of Gururaj North by : Road, South by : Property of Ramesh.	**Rs.1,32,83,231.00/-(Rupees One Crore Thirty Two Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Two Hundred And Thirty One Only) as on 03-09-2019, along with interest at the applicable rate and costs thereon.** .... **06-02-2024 at 12.00 PM** ------- **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd., 2nd Cross, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar Bangalore 560010.**	**Rs.1,84,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Eighty Four Lakh Only) EMD: Rs.18,40,000/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Fourty Thousand Only)**

Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale: -1) The Tender form can be collected from **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, ESI Road, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010 **(Mob: 9880882881, 9449027476)** on all working days during office hours. **2)** The intending bidders should submit their bids in the prescribed tender form in closed cover along with EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price by means of Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order drawn in favour of **"Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd.,"** payable at Bangalore. The Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order shall be drawn after the date of publication of this Tender – cum – Auction Sale Notice. **3)** Tenders not in the prescribed format will not be accepted. The tender along with the EMD shall be submitted at **Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, ESI Road, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010 **(Mob: 9880882881, 9449027476)** Latest by **05.02.2024 before 5.00 P M.** Tender without EMD shall be summarily rejected. **4)** The property "SHALL NOT" be sold below the reserve price. **5)** In case the bidder is not successful the E M D amount shall be refunded without interest. **6)** The EMD amount shall be liable for forfeiture without prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Auction Sale. **7)** The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorized Officer in the presence of the available / attending bidders at **after 12.00 PM** Onwards **on 06.02.2024 8)** After opening the tenders, the intending bidders may be given opportunity at the discretion of the Authorized Officer to have, intense bidding amongst themselves to enhance the offer Price. **9)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the Sale Price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale Price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction. **10)** The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues / taxes / charges / property tax / E B charges / water charges / conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws. **11)** The Authorized Officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all of the tender or/ bid / offer and / or adjourn / postpone / cancel the Auction Sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice. **12)** The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. **13)** The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between **10.00 AM and 5.00PM** at his expenses at the address mentioned in the Schedule. **14)** The property is put for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION".** The intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title, ownership, statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property. **15)** Bidder can bid for all or any one of the lots by submitting their EMD amount for the individual property. **16)** In case the bidder is a company, a copy of the resolution passed by the Board of Directors authorizing the actual bidder to participate in the auction on behalf of the Company should be submitted. **17)** If the sale price is more than **Rs.50,00,000=00 (Rupees Fifty Lakhs Only),** then the auction purchaser/successful bidder has to deduct 1% of the Sale Price as TDS in the name of owner of the property & remit to Income Tax Department as per Section 194 IA of Income Tax Act and only 99% of the Sale Price has to be remitted to the Bank. The Sale Certificate will be issued only on receipt of Form 26QB & Challan for having remitted the TDS.

For further details the intending bidders may contact the Authorized Officer, Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-Op Bank Ltd., 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, ESI Road, 4th Block, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore 560010 (Mob: 9880882881, 9449027476) E-mail: securitization@tgmcbank.com

Place : Bangalore
Date : 02.01.2024

Sd/- Authorised Officer
TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

ICICI Bank

Branch Office: Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068

PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited. will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. Harsha T R (Borrower) Sunitha B N (Co-Borrowers) Loan Account Number LBBNG00002870789	All that piece and parcel of Residential Site bearing No.138, V.P. Katha No. 110/138,measuring East to West: 30 feet and North to South: 50 feet, in all total measuring 1500 sq.ft.,in the Layout known as "KNS ANAGHA" formed as per the Layout Plan sanctioned by the Anekal Planning Authority vide No. APA/LAO/04/09-10, dated: 28.04.2014, formed in Sy. No. 22/3 Schedule "A" Property), situated at Haragadde Village, JiganiHobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on: East By: Site No. 137, West By: Site No. 139, North By: Road, South By: Sy. No.22/2.	Rs. 16,12,126/- (as on December 28, 2023)	Rs. 20,88, 000/- / Rs. 2,08, 800/-	January 10, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	January 30, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM
2.	Mr. N Parasuraman (Borrower) Sindhu (Co-Borrower) Loan Account Number LBBNG00005219133	All that piece and parcel of the RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT Flat No. 325, Facing North West on the Third Floor, of the proposed building to be constructed on the Schedule 'A' property known as "AXIS ANTARA situated at Yelenahalli Village, BegurHobli, Bangalore South Taluk. In terms of plan shown to the Purchaser/s and approved by him/her/them consisting of hall cum dining, 01 Bedrooms, 01 Study, 01 toilets, kitchen along with common area and facilities in all measuring approximately 590 Sq. ft of carpet area (805 Sq. Ft. of Super Built- up Area) which may vary by 2 % as per Construction Agreement of even date and bounded as follows : On the East by: Amenities & Pool Area, West by: Corridor & Lobby Area, North by: Flat No. 327, South by: Flat No. 323,	Rs. 57,48,413/- (as on December 28, 2023)	Rs. 33,90, 000/- / Rs. 3,39, 000/-	January 11, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	January 30, 2024 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM
3.	Mr. Pankaj Kumar (Borrower) Ravindra Kumar (Guarantor) Loan Account Number LBBNG00004904969	All that piece and parcel of Residential Site bearing No. A-401, Tower Na.16/Block-6, Fourth Floor Consists of One Hall with balcony. Two Bed Rooms (One Room and One Master Bed Room with attached toilet, Kitchen, Bath Room and a Toilet in the Project known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA" Constructed on the Schedule A Property. having a carpet area of 462.20 SQ.FT excluding balcony area (super built up area of 656 Sq.ft) located at Medehalli,AttibeleHobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District North By- Mayasandragadi, South By- Lands in Survey No 41, East By- Land in Survey No 43, West By- Road.	Rs. 20,35,881 (as on December 28, 2023)	Rs. 18,32, 000/- / Rs. 1,83, 200/-	January 12, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM	January 30, 2024 from 12:30 PM to 01:30 PM
4.	Mr. RiteshRanjan (Borrower) Gunjan Srivastava (Co-Borrower) Loan Account Number LBBNG00002194426	(As described in the Loan document / property document covering All that Part and parcel of vacant site bearing No. 104, old khatha No. 175/142/104, and New Khata No. 320/142/104, formed out of Sy. No. 11, 12/1 & 20. bearing No. BMRDA/LAO/20/2004-05 dated: 01-09-2004, situated at Kyalasanahalli Village, JiganiHobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District. Conversation order no. ALN.SR. 16/1987-88, dated 25-05-1987, issued by the Tahasildar, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District. And ALN. SR (A) 118/2004-05, dated 04-08-2004, issued by the Dy. Commissioner Bangalore South Division, Bangalore, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1500 sq.ft. North: Site No. 103, South: Site No. 105, East: Site No.109, West: 30 Feet Road.	Rs. 9,23,010/- (as on December 28, 2023)	Rs. 40,30, 000/- / Rs. 4,03, 000/-	January 16, 2024 from 11:00 AM to 02:00 PM	January 30, 2024 from 01:30 PM to 02:30 PM

The online auction will take place on the website of e-auction agency **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited(URL Link-www.disposalhub.com).** The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **January 29, 2024** before **04:00 PM** failing which, this/these secured asset/s will be sold as per schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068** on or before **January 29, 2024** before **05:00 PM** and thereafter they need to submit their offer through the above mentioned website only on or before **January 29, 2024** before **05:00 PM** along with scan image of Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer through the website then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at **ICICI Bank Limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068** on or **January 29, 2024** before **05:00 PM.** Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/Scheduled Bank in favour of **"ICICI Bank Limited"** payable at **Bangalore.** For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the e-auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact **ICICI Bank Limited** on **7304918084/ 9844542086/8008999536.**

Please note that Marketing agencies **1. No Broker.in 2. M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited** have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **www.icicibank.com/n4p4s**

Date: January 03, 2024
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

RECOUNTING HORROR, PASSENGERS SAY IT WAS HELL

TOKYO

THE passengers and the crew aboard Japan Airlines (JAL) plane escaped the burning aircraft using emergency slides,with passengers on JAL fearing for their lives.

Uchida, a passenger in her 40s, was sitting in a window seat on the right side of the plane near the wing. She said that when the plane landed, it made a loud noise, but she didn't realise there had been a collision, initially thinking they had landed safely. But after looking out the window, she saw flames near the wing. "I thought it was over," she said. "I thought I was about to die," she was quoted by *The Japan Times*.

Uchida said passengers were told to remain calm by the cabin crew and that it took a couple of minutes before the plane doors opened, allowing everyone to evacuate.

After exiting from the burning aircraft, Uchida said passengers were counted in an area away from the plane. They were asked to hold hands in groups of ten and to sit down and wait.

Firefighters near the part of the burnt Japanese Coast Guard aircraft on the runway of Haneda airport on Tuesday | AP

Swede Anton Deibe,17, a passenger on the JAL plane, told *Aftonbladet* that "the entire cabin was filled with smoke within a few minutes. We threw ourselves down on the floor. Then the emergency doors were opened and we threw ourselves at them. "The smoke in the cabin stung like hell...We have no idea where we are going so we just run out into the field. It was chaos," Deibe added.

Another passenger told *NHK* that cabin attendants were calm and told everyone to leave their baggage behind, then all lights went off and the temperature inside the cabin started rising. The passenger said she was afraid she might not get off the plane alive. The cabin crew of the Japan Airlines aircraft that collided with another plane and burst into flames at Tokyo's Haneda Airport did an "incredible job" by quickly evacuating all 367 passengers, an expert said Tuesday, highlighting the importance of training.

Prof Graham Braithwaite, director of transport systems at Cranfield University in the UK, praised efforts made by the cabin crew as well as the pilots onboard the Japanese Airlines flight. *Agencies*

Earthquake leaves 55 dead, officials warn of more quakes

WAJIMA

A series of powerful earthquakes that hit western Japan have left at least 55 people dead and damaged thousands of buildings, vehicles and boats. Officials warned on Tuesday that more quakes could lie ahead.

Aftershocks continued to shake Ishikawa prefecture and nearby areas a day after a magnitude 7.6 temblor slammed the area.

Damage was so great that it could not immediately be assessed. Japanese media reports said tens of thousands of homes were destroyed.

Government spokesperson Yoshimasa Hayashi said 17 people were seriously injured and gave a slightly lower death toll, saying he was aware of prefecture's tally.

Water, power and cell phone service were still down in some areas. Residents expressed sorrow about their uncertain futures.

Japanese media's aerial footage showed widespread damage in the hardest-hit spots, with landslides burying roads, boats tossed in the waters and a fire that had turned an entire section of Wajima city to ashes.

Japan's military dispatched 1,000 soldiers to the disaster zones to join rescue efforts, Prime Minister Fumio Kishida said on Tuesday.

"Saving lives is our priority and we are fighting a battle against time," he said. "It is critical that people trapped in homes get rescued immediately."People who were evacuated from their houses huddled in auditoriums, schools and community centres.

Bullet trains in the region were halted, but service was mostly restored by Tuesday afternoon. Sections of highways were closed. *AP*

TURKEY RAIDS

33 accused of spying for Israel detained

ANKARA

TURKISH authorities have detained 33 people suspected of spying for Israel, media reported on Tuesday.

Authorities were still searching for 13 others believed to have links to Israel's Mossad security service, the *Anadolu Agency* reported.

Interior Minister Ali Yerlikaya said the suspects were rounded up in raids across Istanbul and seven other provinces. Yerlikaya's office released video showing armed security service agents breaking down doors and handcuffing suspects in their homes.

The suspects were detained in raids in Istanbul and seven other provinces for allegedly planning to carry out activities that included "reconnaissance" and "pursuing, assaulting and kidnapping" foreign nationals living in Turkey.

The suspects were allegedly recruited to spy on Palestinians residing in Turkey as well as Israeli activists opposed to their government, *Anadolu* reported.

Israeli officials allegedly contacted the suspects via social media, it said. *Agencies*

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client is intending to purchase the immovable property bearing No.199/B , situated at 4th sector, Hosur Sarjapura Road Layout,(HSR Layout) formed by the Bangalore Development authority ,Bangalore presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP and said authority has assessed the said property as New Municipal No.12/199/B, together with all rights, appetences whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East: site bearing no. 197/B , west: Road, North: Site bearing no.199/C and South: site bearing no.199/1 measuring East to west 18.29 Mts and North to South 12.19 mts , in all measuring total 222.96 sq mts of the vacant site from its owner Ms Rashmi L, D/o H Lakshmegowda and Smt Hemalatha r/o no.886,39th cross, 20th main road, 4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore 560041 Bangalore. If any person having interest or right in above noted property kindly contact with records within 7 days from the date of notice. Failing which our client would be advised to proceed with transaction.

S.Y Kumbar
Shivashankar S.K
Preeti Kareddy
Advocates & Legal Consultants
#104/1, 'Shivaganga' Ground Floor,
1st D Main, Jakkasandra,
Koramangala 1st Block, Bangalore-560034
Cell No.9900245450,9900722771

IN THE COURT OF THE IX ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE (CCH-05)

P & SC No. 310/2023

BETWEEN : **1. Mrs. MARIYA QUIBTIYA**, Aged about 34 years, W/o. Late. MD Paiz Alam, Residing at No. Flat No. 102 Serenity Apartment, 2nd Cross, KHB Main Road, Kavalbyrsandra, Near More Super Market, Sultan Palya, RT Nagar Post, Bangalore-560 032.

2. Mrs. MAHMUDA KHATOON Aged about 59 years, C/o. Abdul Samad, Residing at No. A/12, Ashiana Colony, Bisra, Budeljore Sundergarh, Bisra, Odisha-770036.

Represented by her daughter in law & GPA Holder Mrs. Mariya Quibtiya

3. Baby. HEBA REHMAN Aged about 8 years, D/o. Late. MD Faiz Alam, Residing at No. Flat No. 102 Serenity Apartment, 2nd Cross, KHB Main Road, Kavalbyrsandra, Near More Super Market Sultan Palya, RT Nagar Post, Bangalore-560 032.

4. Master. ZAHRAAN FAIZ Aged about 6 years, S/o. Late. MD Faiz Alam, Residing at No. Flat No. 102 Serenity Apartment, 2nd Cross, KHB Main Road, Kavalbyrsandra, Near More Super Market, Sultan Palya, RT Nagar Post, Bangalore-560 032.

Petitioner 3 and 4 are minor Represented by their mother And natural guardian

Mrs. MARIYA QUIBTIYA ...PETITIONERS
AND: NIL ...RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the Petitioners herein have filed the above petition under section 372 & 384 of the Indian succession act in favour of petitioner in respect of suit schedule property mentioned below, the below mentioned suit schedule property belongs to Late. MD Faiz Alam, S/o. Matiur Rahman, who died intestate at Sundargarh, Odisha on 05/05/2021.

Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this court in person or by pleader duly instructed **on 15.02.2024 at 11.00 AM** to inform the show cause against the petitioners filing this case wherein the appearance will be heard and considered. Respondent are nil.

SCHEDULE

A moveable stock holding as accounted in Account No. 3678-7302 with the office of E Trade Securities having its office at E*Trade Securities LLC, P.O. Box 484, Jersey City, NJ 07303-0484, USA.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on the 27th day of December 2023 at Bangalore.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Address of the Petitioners:
Sri. K. Ajaya Kumar, Sri. Prabhu. K.M
Advocates, Ajay & Associates,
No. 18, First Floor, Thimmaiah Garden,
Devegowda Road, R.T. Nagar Post,
Bangalore - 560032. Phone: 9880140512
Email : Lawajay@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that the original Sale Deed dated 21.7.2006 registered as document No.CKB-1-01334-2006-07, stored in CD No.CKBD15, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Chikkaballapura, relating to converted land measuring 2 Acres 28 Guntas in Survey No.140 of Kakalachintha Village, Mandikalu Hobli, Chickaballapura Taluk (converted vide Order No.ALN.SR.(CHI) SAKALA-322/2014-15 dated 11.5.2015 by Deputy Commissioner, Chickaballapura), has either been lost or misplaced and the same is not traceable.

If any person holding the said document as security or any one has any claim or objections in the matter of the aforesaid property, may contact the undersigned within 7 days from the date of this notice, failing which, it would be presumed that there are no claims over the said property.

JEROME D'SOUZA, ADVOCATE
No.5, 3rd Floor, "A" Block
St.Patrick's Complex, Brigade Road
Bangalore - 560025. Ph: 9845569021.
Date : 02.01.2024, Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public on behalf of my client **SRI PURUSHOTHAM.B** S/o Boregowda, aged about 47 Years, residing at No.624, 25th Cross, 29th Main, Poornaprajna Lay-out, Uttarahalli Main Road, Subramanyapuram, Bangalore-560 061, has entered into an Agreement of Sale with **(1) SRI CHATTANGADA GANAPATHY RAVISH** S/o C.B.Ganapathy, Aged about 56 Years, residing at No.471, Flat No.A-202, Meenakshi Classic Apartments, 27th Main Road, Opp Police Station, H.S.R. Lay-out, Sector-1, H.S.R. Lay-out, Bangalore-560 102, **(2) SRI C.P. VENUGOPAL**, S/o Puttaswamy Gowda.C.N., Aged about 45 Years, residing at No.B-5, 5th Main Attach to 7th Block, B.D.A. Lay-out, Nagarabhavi II Stage, Bangalore-560 072 and **(3) SRI V.MANJUNATHAN** S/o Vijayamanikam, Aged about 61 Years, residing at No.24, 3rd Floor, 9th 'A' Cross Road, B.G. Road, Bangalore-560 030, **on 30/11/2023** in respect of below mentioned schedule property. So this is to inform the general public that no one should enter into any agreement of sale with the above said persons in respect of the above property since my client is already an agreement holder of the schedule property. Inspite of this notice if any person were to deal with the above said persons in respect of schedule property they would be doing so at their risk and cost. If anyone has got any objections or claim over the schedule property they may send their objections to the undersigned within 15 days from this day.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.5 & 6 out of site Nos.1,2,3,4,5 & 6, total measuring 7080 sq. ft., BBMP Khatha No.3890 formed in Assessment No.131 with old House List Khatha No.281/131 and 282/131, BBMP Ward No.129 situated at Ullalu Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now within the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 30-0 feet, and North to South : 74-0 feet, in all measuring 2220 Square feet and bounded on

East by : Private Property, West by : 30 ft. Road, North by : Site No.04, South by : Ullalu Main Road

H.R. SADANANDA, Advocate
Off: No. 21/2, II Floor, 1st Main,
Opp. Indian Overseas Bank, Gandhinagar,
Bangalore - 560 009. Mobile: 98456 98508
Bangalore Dated : 02.01.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public that my client **Mrs. Pramila** wife of Mr. Prakash has purchased the land described in the schedule mentioned below from **Mr. Andanihegde** son of **Late Doddahydahegde** and his wife, **Mrs. Geetha** and their children, **Mrs. Hema S.A.** and **Mr. Chetan Kumar S.A.** by a registered Sale deed dated 01-12-2022. Any Persons interested in any manner over the said property may submit their objections or claims with proof of documents to the address mentioned below within seven (7) days from the date of this publication. Thereafter my client shall not be bound by any objections or claims received and my client shall proceed to mortgage the land described in the schedule below and obtain a loan from the bank in such a manner, that there shall be no such claims or objections.

Schedule:- Land bearing Sy.No.465/1A measuring 0.12¾ guntas out of 1 acre 35 guntas, situated at Sogala Village, Virupakshapura Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District, bounded on:- **East by :** land belongs to Thimmaiah s/o Borikade Gowda, **West by :** Border of Sulleri village, **North by :** Border of Sulleri village and **South by :** Government Road.

Address of Advocate:- **Swamy C. M.**
No.3/5, 1st Floor, Bull temple road,
Chamarajpet, Bangalore -560018.
Mob. - 9008100012.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE
(4th Floor, Telephone House Building Raj Bhavan Road, Bangaluru")

O A No 1265 of 2019

BETWEEN : UCO BANK,
Cantonment Branch, Bangalore.
...APPLICANT
VS
Mr LAKSHMIKANTH NT and others..
...DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23 (VII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

Defendant No 1
Mr LAKSHMIKANTH N.T,
Aged about 36 years, S/o Sri Thirumale Gowda N.T. No 8/9, 3rd Main Road, Govind Reddy Building, Seethappa Layout, Cholanagar, R.T Nagar, Bangalore-560 032

WHEREAS, the Applicant has instituted an Application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993, against you for recovery of **10,96,074.41/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Seventy Four and Forty One Paise Only)** together with current and future interest and for other relief. The above mentioned defendants is therefore, hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defence to show cause with in **30 days** from the date of publication or **on 09.01.2024 at 10.30 a.m (forenoon)** as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case of default, the Application will be heard and determined in your absence. Take notice of interim relief sought.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this, the **6th day of Sept 2023.**

Sd/- Registrar,
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to General Public that my client Sri. Subramanya, presently residing at Bangalore, has lost the original Sale deed dated 24/08/1981 executed by The Bagalakunte House Building Co-Operative Society Limited, represented by its President / Secretary of the one part and one of its members Sri. Patalaiah, in favour of Sri. PC.George S/o. Sri. P. T. Cheeku, registered as document no. 3189/1981-1982, Book I, Volume no.3500, at Pages 81 and 82, on 24/08/1981, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk, with respect to selling the Site no. 01, measuring (40X30) feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq., ft., which is morefully described as schedule property mentioned below and the same is not traceable. If found inform to Smt. B. Mallika, Advocate, whose address is mentioned as below, within eight days from the date of publication.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing Site no. 01, Gramatana Old House List no. 36 and New House List no. 120, Previously within the limits of City Municipal Council, Ward no. 07 and Presently under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward no.14, bearing old Khatha no. 36 and New Khatha no. 378/120/1, Situated at BAGALAGUNTE VILLAGE, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Site measuring East to West :40-0 feet (12.192 mtrs) and North to South : 30-00 feet (9.144 mtrs), in all measuring 1200 Sq., ft., (111.48 Sq., mtrs), house consisting of R.C.C roofing along with all civic amenities and bounded on :

East by : Road;
West by : Site No. 02;
North by : Road;
South by : Site No. 14

MALLIKA.B Advocate
No. 203, 2nd Floor,
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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, P.W.D., PUDUCHERRY

Puducherry, 02.01.2024

PRESS NOTICE FOR e-TENDER No.42

On behalf of the President of India, e-Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer, Public Health Division, Public Works Department, Puducherry, from the eligible Contractors / Firms as stipulated in the below mentioned table in Column No.6, for the following work.

Sl. No	Tender No.	Name of Work	Approximate Estimated Cost (₹.)	Earnest Money Deposit (₹.)	Eligibility	e-Tender Processing Fee (₹.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
01	42 / PHD/ 23-24	Augmentation of Water Supply System at Veerampattinam Village and adjacent areas in Ariyankuppam Commune, Puducherry **(2nd Call)**	16,42,36,779/- (inclusive of GST)	26,42,368/-	Appropriate eligible class	1500/- +GST @ 5%

The detailed procedure is available in the Press Notice which can be downloaded along with the NIT from the website **https://pudutenders.gov.in** only by those eligible Tenderers who are having Digital Signature Certificate.

(i) Availability of tender schedule in the website from **10.00 A.M on 02.01.2024** to **04.00 P.M. on 19.01.2024**
(ii) Closing Time for submission of e-Tender : **19.01.2024 - 4.00 P.M.**
(iii) Date & Time of Opening of e-Tender : **22.01.2024 - 11.00 A.M.**
(Next working day of closing of tender)

Please contact e-Procurement Cell e-tender help desk for guidance (e-Procurement Cell, 3rd Floor, A Block, Chief Secretariat, Puducherry) in Phone No.0413-2220225 and 0413-2220262.

For clarification regarding tender contact : Department No. : **0413 2336068**

No.555/DIP/AD(Press)/2023-24 Sd/- **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (PHD)**

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, ANGUL

No. 2 // Dt.01.01.2024 //

1st Corrigendum to Bid Identification No. Bridge Online -AGL-35/2023-24

O-2069: Tender for Bridge works invited vide this office Tender Call Notice No. 3197 dt.14.12.2023 as procurement officer Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle Angul, in DTCN Contract Data Sl. No .17 **(i) Similar Nature of work may be read as (i) Tenders for works value up to Rs . 5.00 crores (Rupees Five Crores) -**

The intending tenderer(s) should have no qualifying criteria except clauses 14(a) , (b), (c) and (d) above and clause 14 (h) below .

To qualify for more than one work in the notice inviting tender, the bidder must demonstrate having annual turnover, bid capacity , works experience as per clause 14(f), (e)(ii) & (i) respectively in aggregate if works value exceeds Rs 5.00 crore .

(ii) Tenders for works value more than Rs 5.00 crores (Rupees Five Crores)-

The intending tender(s) should have executed similar nature of work worth 75% of the estimated cost. put to tender during any three financial years taken together of the last preceding five years (starting from 2018- 19 to 2022-23) excluding the current financial year 2023-24). **In case of Contract spanning for more than one financial year, the breakup of execution of work in each of financial year should be furnished** . A certificate to this effect must be enclosed from the officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer as per enclosed Schedule-01 (Completed works) & Schedule- 02 (On going works). In case of a Joint Venture the execution of similar nature of works will be applied for the work executed by each partner taken together being minimum of 75 % of the estimated cost put to tender during any three financial years taken together of the last preceding five years (starting from 2018- 19 to 2022-23) excluding the current financial year 20 23-24).

All other terms and conditions are remain unchanged .

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SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION

Auction Sale under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act 2002 of the Immovable properties mortgaged to the **Bangalore City Co. operative Bank Ltd., is brought to Sale under " AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION".**

Sl No	Name of the Borrower & Description of property	Boundaries & Measurement	Amount of Secured debt & Reserve Price	Date of Public Auction
01	**Smt. Ramakka (Deceased) Legal Representatives by : 1) Srinivasa. M & 2) Ashoka. M (Son's) 3) Shanthamma, 4) Lakshmi & 5) Manjula (Daughter's)** No.05, Lalbagh, Siddpura, J.C. Colony, Jayanagar, 1st Block, Bengaluru-11. **Old No.5, New No.19, Lalbagh, Siddapura, A.K. Colony, 1st Block, Jayanagar, PID No. 62-137-19, BMP Ward No. 62, Hombegwoda Nagar, Bengaluru.**	**East to West: 23 feet & North to South: 32 feet** **East by :** Site No.4 belong to S.K.Nagaraj **West by :** Site No. 6 belongs to Muniyappa **North by :** Private Road **Soth by :** Driver Venkataswamy's, House No.10	**Rs. 4,68,336/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 27,80,000/-**	**06.02.2024 10.00 A.M**
02	**Smt. Thara Bai. S & Sri. Manjunatha Rao. G** No.98/3, New No.99/1, 4th Main, 7th Cross, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-18. **Old No. 99, New No.99/1, 4th Main Road, 7th Cross Road, Chamarajpet, PID No. 46-6-99/1, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 20 feet & North to South : 33.6 feet** **East by :** Others Property, **West by :** 3 feet Passage, thereafter words remaining Portion in Corpn., No.99, allotted to B Schedule party, **North by :** Others Property. **South by :** Conservancy Galli.	**Rs. 2,56,224/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date: 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 63,35,000/-**	**06.02.2024 10.30 A.M**
03	**Sri. Basavaraju. D,** No.729, 8th Main, RPC Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-40. **New Municipal No.04, Old No. 729, 14th Cross, B & ASO Layout, Hampinagar, BBMP Ward No. 34 of R.P.C. layout, PID No. 34-102-4, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 29+28 feet 2 & North to South : 32 feet** **East by :** Road. **West by :** Site No. 732. **North by :** Site No.730. **South by :** Site No.728	**Rs. 1,02,28,051/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date:28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 1,25,90,000/-**	**06.02.2024 11.00 A.M**
04	**Smt. Noorjan (Deceased) L/R's by, 1. Syed Ahmed (Son), 2. Sabiha Sultana (Daughter), 3. Syeda Muneera Sultana (Daughter), 4. Mumtaz Sultana (Daughter), 5. Basira Sultana (Daughter),** No.15/29 K M Lane S P Road Cross Bengaluru-02. **No.15, Kadugodi Muniyappa Galli, Gollarpet, BBMP Ward No.47 of Dharmarayaswamy Temple, PID NO. 47-40-15, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 28 Feet & North to South : 27.6 Feet** **East by :** House belong to Abdulla Saheb's & P C Murthy, **West by :** Lane **North by :** House belongs to Abdulla Sab **South by :** House belongs to Chikkarangappa	**Rs. 57,56,389/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 82,00,000/-**	**06.02.2024 11.30 A.M**
05	**Smt Maqbool Jan @ Sabirunnissa,** No.14, 3rd Cross, LBF Road, Doddamavahalli Bengaluru-04. **No.14, 3rd Cross, lalbagh Fort Road, Old No.5/16, after 4/14, Division No. 39, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 24 feet & North to South : 27 ½ feet** **East by :** Ba Sith Saheb House **West by :** Road **North by :** Buranahaddin MD Saheb **South by :** Ismail Saheb	**Rs. 3,78,917/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 65,00,000/-**	**06.02.2024 12.00 P.M**
06	**Sri. Haseem M. A.** No.27, 1st A Cross Vinayakanagar, Old Guddadahalli Mysore road, Bengaluru-26. New Municipal No. 48-49/6, Old Sites No. 48/A, 48/9 & 49, Khatha No.1/320, Old No.320, 1st A Cross, Old Guddadahalli, Vinayakanagar, Padarayanapura, BBMP Ward No. 43 of Padarayanapura, New Ward No. 136 of Jagajeevanram Nagar, PID No. 43-11-48-49/6, Bengaluru.	**East to West: 60 Feet & North to South: 40 feet.** **East by :** Property bearing Site No. 47 **West by :** Road **North by :** Property bearing No. 44 & 45 **South by :** Road.	**Rs. 10,92,508/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 1,50,00,000/-**	**06.02.2024 12.30 P.M**
07	**Sri. Thousif Pasha** No.10/11, 11th E Cross, Opposite Popular Medicals, Padarayanapura, Bengaluru-26. **New Municipal No. 2/1, Old Property No.02, Northern portion, situated at 11th B Cross, Padarayanapura, K.P. Agrahara Dhakale presently coming under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 43 of Padarayanapura, PID No. 43-131-2/1, Bengaluru.**	**East to West: 12 Feet & North to South: 30 feet.** **East by :** Property belonging to Sri. Byroji Pavar **West by :** Remaining portion of same number property now private property **North by :** Road **South by :** Remaining portion of same number property Now private property.	**Rs. 18,12,308/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 27,00,000/-**	**06.02.2024 01.00 P.M**
08	**08 Sri. Krishnamurthy. H** No.21, Uddandahalli Chikkanahalli Thavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Benglauru-562 130. **No.78/3, 3rd main Road, Southern portion, Site NO. 02 Sy No. 65/4, Ranganathapura, BBMP Ward No. 36 of Govindarajanagar, PID No. 36-140-78/3, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 40 feet & North to South : 15 feet** **East by :** Others property **West by :** 20 feet Road **North by :** Municipal No. 78/3 belongs to H. Ravi Kumar. **South by :** Property No. 03	**Rs. 3,60,384/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date: 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 93,00,000/-**	**06.02.2024 01.30 P.M**
09	**Smt. Gowramma,** No.39, Lalbagh Siddapapura J.C. Colony, Jayanagar, 1st Block, Bengaluru-11. **New Municipal No. 39, Lalbagh Siddapura, Harijana Colony, Jayanagar, PID No-62-137-39, Hombegowda Nagar, BMP Ward No. 62, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 20 feet & North to South : 24 feet** **East by :** Private Property **West by :** G. Muniyappa's House No. 40 **North by :** Road **South by :** Chinnappa's House No. 32.	**Rs. 4,66,489/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 20,25,000/-**	**06.02.2024 02.00 P.M**
10	**Sri.MukthiyurKhan,** No.29, 9thCross West Padarayanapura, Bengaluru-26. **Municipal No. 19/2, Situated at 1st Main, "G" Street, Kuvempunagar, Previously Known as New Guddada halli, Bengaluru presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 42, New Ward No. 134 of Bapujinagar, PID No.42-76-19/2, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 18.6 feet & North to South : Easternside:33feet,WesternSide:-45feet** **East by:** Road **West by:** Private property **North by-** Road **South by:** Private property	**Rs. 29,52,609/- (Interest from) 26.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 54,75,000/-**	**06.02.2024 02.30 P.M**
11	**Smt. Prema,** No.38, 5th Main, Escorts Enginees Layout, Near Om Shakthi Temple, Attur Layout, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-64. **Site No. 21, BBMP Khatha No. 298/14/2, New BBMP Khatha No.14/2/21, Assessment No.14/2 of Muneshwara Layout, Attur Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Present BBMP Ward No.03, Attur, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 60 feet & North to South : 19 feet** **East by:** 10 feet Road. **West by:** Site No.16 belongs to Vasudeva Rao. **North by :** Site No.20. **South by:** Property belongs to A.M. Hanumanthappa .	**Rs. 19,49,084/- (Interest from) 21.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 52,00,000/-**	**06.02.2024 03.30 P.M**
12	**Sri. Ramesh. B.G,** No.45, 1st Main 2nd Cross, Shabarinagar, Byatarayanapura, Bengaluru-92. **No.45, Bytarayanapura Municipal Khatha No.46, Byataryanapura Village, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.07 of Byatarayanapura, BBMP Khatha No.46-105-1-45, Bengaluru.**	**East to West : 39+34 feet & 2 North to South : 40 feet** **East by:** 25 feet Road. **West by:** Property No. 44 **North by :** Property No. 42 **South by:** Raja Kaluve.	**Rs. 79,14,353/- (Interest from) 21.12.2023 Notice Date : 28.12.2023 Reserve Price Rs. 90,60,000/-**	**06.02.2024 04.00 P.M**

(1) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of Administrative office, No.3, Pampa Mahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-18. (2) For participation in the auction the intending bidder have to deposit an amount equivalent to 10 % of the Reserve price of the property being cautioned deposit. The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, If the successful bidder fails to Adhere to the terms of Sale, time and commits default in any manner. (3) The successful bidders should deposit 25 % of the bid amount on the same day at the sale in cash/D.D. to the bank and the balance Within 15 days from the date of sale. (4) The Successful bidders shall bear all expenses like stamp duty Registration fee etc., for getting the sale certificate Registered in his/her favour. (5) The authorized officer shall have powers to accept or reject bids or postpone / cancel the auction without assigning any reasons thereof. (6) For inspection of the property and other particular, the intending bidders may contact the undersigned at **The Bangalore City Co-Operative Bank ltd., Administrative Office, or through phone No.26678572 / 26600512,** they are at liberty to make their own Assessment / enquiry about the property.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 02.01.2024

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co. Operative Bank Ltd.

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
379.46 ↓	Sensex	71,892.48	₹270 ↑	24 carat (10 gm)	₹64,240	₹300 ↑	1 kg	₹78,900	↑	Dollar	83.32
76.10 ↓	Nifty	21,665.80	₹200 ↑	22 carat (10 gm)	₹58,900	₹3 ↑	10 gm	₹789	↓	Euro	91.33

Banks with 6% net NPAs can't pay dividends

RBI sets higher capital requirement for small finance banks, payment banks to be eligible for declaring dividends

ON A TIGHT LEASH

50% maximum dividends payout allowed to banks from existing 40% on fulfillment of revised criteria

The net NPA ratio, for the financial year for which the dividend is proposed, should be less than 6% against the existing 7%

Commercial banks and RRBs should maintain 9% minimum capital adequacy each of the last three financial years

The minimum capital adequacy ratio for small finance banks and payment banks should be 15% to be eligible for declaring dividends

These guidelines shall be effective for declaration of dividends for the 2024-25 and onwards

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

THE banking regulator has proposed to make more stringent the conditions for banks to be able to declare dividend payments.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Tuesday released draft guidelines in which it has proposed that a bank should have net non-performing assets (NPAs) of less than 6% in the financial year for which the dividend has been proposed. Earlier, banks with less than 7% net NPA could give dividends to its shareholders.

The RBI has increased the capital adequacy requirement for small finance banks (SFBs) and payment banks. It proposes minimum capital requirement for commercial banks, local area banks and regional rural banks to be at 9%, while for those SFBs and payment banks it is 15%. Apart from the overall capital requirements, banks will have to stick to minimum Tier 1 capital norms. For example, commercial banks must have 7% minimum tier 1 capital to be able to declare dividends.

Meanwhile, the regulator has proposed hiking maximum dividend payout ratio to 50% from existing 40%. A bank with no net NPA can pay 50% dividend to its shareholders, 40% if net NPA is over 0 and less than 1% and 35% for banks with net NPAs more than or equal to 1% but less than 2%. A bank with net NPA of more than or equal to 2% but less than 4% can pay up to 25% dividend and 15% if the net NPA is more than or equal to 4% but less than 6%.

Dividend payout ratio is the ratio between the amount of the dividend payable in a year and the net profit as per the audited financial statements for the financial year for which the dividend is proposed.

According to the guidelines, the proposed dividend payable will include dividend on equity shares only. In case the net profit for the relevant period includes any exceptional and/or extra-ordinary profits/ income, or if the financial statements are qualified (including 'emphasis of matter') by the statutory auditor that indicates an overstatement of net profit, the same will be reduced from net profit while determining the Dividend Payout Ratio.

The guidelines apply to foreign banks for being able to remit profits to their foreign headquarters.

Explaining the rationale for revision of the dividend guidelines, the RBI said that these guidelines have been reviewed in the light of implementation of Basel III standards, the revision of the prompt corrective action (PCA) framework, and the introduction of differentiated banks. These guidelines were last reviewed in 2006.

Hyundai expects two-thirds of total sales from SUVs

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

WITH the success of mini SUV Exter and the updated Creta to hit the market soon, the country's second-largest carmaker Hyundai (HMIL) feels that 65% or about two-thirds of its total passenger vehicle (PV) sales will come from Sports Utility Vehicles (SUVs) in 2024.

This assumption by the Korean carmaker comes after SUV share in its total sales grew from 53% in 2022 to 60% in 2023. In comparison, SUVs' contribution in market leader Maruti Suzuki sales increased from 22% in 2022 to 36% in 2023 while almost all of Mahindra & Mahindra's PV sales were SUVs.

"We feel Hyundai's SUV share in total sales can grow to 64-65% in 2024 while for the PV industry, SUV contribution can grow to 52% or 53%," said Tarun Garg, COO, Hyundai Motor India.

"There were speculations that growing competition and launch of new Creta would impact demand of the current model. However, Creta remained the segment leader and did extremely well as its sales grew 12% year-on-year in 2024 to over 155,000 units," said Garg. In total, Hyundai sold over 6 lakh PVs in domestic market last year.

Hyundai is all set to launch the new Creta this month and on Tuesday commenced bookings for a token amount of ₹25,000.

The new model will compete against the likes of recently launched Honda Elevate, Kia Seltos, Maruti Suzuki Grand Vitara, Toyota Hyryder, VW Taigun and Skoda Kushaq.

Led by strong demand for SUVs, annual passenger vehicle sales crossed the 40 lakh mark (about 41.08 lakh) for the first time in 2023. SUV segment's share in total sales increased from 42% in 2022 to nearly 49% in 2023. This is a sharp jump and SUVs contributed only about 20% of total passenger vehicle sales five year back.

Kia India appoints Gwanggu Lee as MD, CEO

NEW DELHI: Kia India has appointed Gwanggu Lee as MD and CEO, effective immediately. He will be the third MD and CEO of Kia India, succeeding Kook Hyun Shim and Tae Jin Park. Park is retiring after his 36-year journey with Kia Corporation and 4 years stint with Kia India. Lee has held leadership positions in various capacities including roles in the US, Canada, Italy, Mexico, Kia Headquarters in Central and South America, and Kia Europe Headquarters in Germany. *ENS*

IN THE GREEN

Damani picks 4% share in VST Industries

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

TELANGANA-based Cigarette maker VST Industries Limited's stock price touched the upper circuit of ₹4065.30 on Tuesday after a block deal of 4% shares picked up by ace investor Radhakishan Damani.

The stock opened at ₹3389.95 and gained 677.55 points or 20% hitting new 52-week high.

Bright Star Investments' Damani bought 2,22,935 shares at ₹3,390 and 109,000 shares at the price of ₹3,520.73. Damani Estates and Finance Private Limited took 93,000 equity shares at 3,520. SBI Mutual fund, HDFC Mutual fund and DSP Mutual fund cumulatively took 6.75 lakh shares of the company.

VST Industries market capital stands at ₹6,227 crore. It manufactures and trades cigarettes with brands such as Charminar, Charms, Special, Moments and Total in 64 mm and 69 mm segments. The company also manufacturers tobacco and tobacco products. It is an associate of British American Tobacco Plc, which holds 32.2% stake in VST Industries.

Damnai made an additional 1.4% share of the company through an open market deal, on top of 25.95% shares in VST through his firm Bright Star Investments Limited. DSP mutual funds bought 250,000 shares at ₹3,390, and HDFC MF took 200,000 shares at ₹3,390.13.

Red Sea conflict escalation pulls down market

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market witnessed its first decline of calendar year 2024 as tensions in the Red Sea escalated in recent days and prompted investors to press the sell button.

Local benchmark indexes fell by a half percentage points on Tuesday with the BSE Sensex closing below the 72,000 mark.

At close, Sensex was down 379.46 points or 0.53% at 71,892.48, while the broader NSE Nifty50 was down 76.10 points or 0.35% at 21,665.80.

"The ongoing conflict in the Red Sea has been making investors jittery as any flare up in violence could trigger upsurge in oil prices and weigh on the economy," said Prashanth Tapse, Senior VP (Research), Mehta Equities.

According to latest developments, one of the world's largest shipping companies, Maersk, again halted operations temporarily after maritime escalation between Yemen's Houthis and US forces.

Houthi rebels have been launching attacks on ships it identified as being linked to Israel that passed through the Bab el-Mandeb strait into the Red Sea. This has already forced many companies to take a longer and costlier route via the Cape of Good Hope to facilitate trade activity.

Vinod Nair, head of research at Geojit Financial Services, said on Tuesday the market extended Monday's last hour's sell-off, taking negative cues from Asian peers due to weak Chinese manufacturing data and mounting tensions in the Red Sea, which has the potential to disrupt global trade and crude supplies.

Nair added that ahead of the impending results season, investors are adopting a profit booking strategy. Auto stocks declined on below-expected volume numbers, while pharma stocks were the standout due to catch-up in the US economy.

Top losers in the 50-share Nifty pack were Eicher Motors, M&M, UltraTech Cement, L&T and Kotak Mahindra Bank which fell between 2.3% and 3.6%. Meanwhile, shares of Vodafone Idea fell over 5% after it denied that it was in talks with Elon Musk-promoted Starlink to manage its services in India.

Hindenburg case: SC verdict today

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court will pronounce its verdict on Wednesday on a batch of pleas filed by many, including lawyers and Congress leaders, seeking probe into the allegations of fraud made against Adani Group of companies on the basisis of Hindenburg Research report.

A three-judge bench of the Supreme Court, headed by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) Dr Dhananjaya Yeshwant Chandrachud, and comprising Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, will pronounce the judgement on Wednesday on pleas filed by lawyers Vishal Tiwari, Manohar Lal Sharma and Congress leader Jaya Thakur and others.

The apex court's same three-judge bench had reserved its verdict on November 24 last year, after hearing from all the petitioners and respondents (SEBI), and the Union of India (UOI) and others in the batch of pleas.

Appearing for one of the petitioners in the case, advocate Prashant Bhushan had told the court that conduct of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), the market regulator, in the matter had not been credible and trustworthy.

The petitioners had moved the court and alleged that Adani had inflated its share prices. After these allegations (part of a report by short-seller Hindenburg Research) were brought to light and also published, after that there was a sharp fall in share value of Adani Group of companies, reportedly to the tune of $100 billion.

The petitioners also alleged the changes to the SEBI Act had provided a 'shield and an excuse' for the Adani Group's regulatory contraventions and market manipulations to remain undetected.

The Supreme Court had earlier in March last year ordered the setting up of a six-member panel headed by former apex court judge Justice A M Sapre to probe the Adani Group shares crash triggered by the report.

ASIANOMICS

SINGAPORE

Q4 GDP UP 2.8% ON FIRMER CONSTRUCTION, MFG

The economy of Singapore grew 2.8% year-on-year in the fourth quarter, government data showed on Tuesday. The gross domestic product (GDP) growth in the fourth quarter was faster than the 1% expansion in the third quarter of 2023. The growth was helped by improvements in construction and manufacturing. The country's economy grew 1.2% dor the full year of 2023, moderating from the 3.6% growth in 2022. According to analysts, the year-on-year growth was better than they had anticipated in the fourth quarter. On a quarter-on-quarter seasonally adjusted basis, GDP expanded 1.7% in the October to December period, extending the 1.3% expansion in the third quarter. Monetary policy is due for review no later than January 29, said the central bank on Tuesday. The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) had increased the frequency of reviews from twice a year to quarterly starting in 2024. In October, MAS left policy settings unchanged as inflation moderated.

SRI LANKA

HIKES RETAIL FUEL PRICES, FIRST UNDER NEW VAT HIKE

The Sri Lankan government has raised the retail fuel prices by ` 20 in its monthly revision. This is the first retail price increase of any commodity under the imposition of new value-added tax rates. Fuel prices are revised monthly based on exchange rate of the US dollar and the global oil market prices. However, the Monday's hike was purely a result of the new VAT rates. The country's VAT rate has been increased by 3% from Monday for the band, which was previously taxed at 15%, while most VAT-exempt items have been brought under 18% in a highly unpopular move. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) approved the release of the second tranche worth $337 million last month to the cash-strapped island nation, bringing the value of disbursements to $670 million in the four-year facility. With its reforms, the IMF programme meant that the government set cost-based tariffs for utilities.

CHINA

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY SLOWS IN DECEMBER

Manufacturing activities in China fell in December, a survey of factory managers in China showed. As per the National Bureau of Statistics report released on Sunday, the official purchasing managers index, or PMI, fell to 49 last month. As per the officials, it was evidence of weak demand. It was the third straight month of contraction. The PMI is on a scale up to 100 where 50 marks the cutoff between expansion and contraction. The index has fallen in eight of the past nine months, with a rise only in September. In November, the index was at 49.4, down from 49.5 the month before. Despite unexpectedly prolonged weakness after the pandemic, China's economy grew at a 5.2% pace in the first three quarters of the year and showed signs of improvement in November, with factory output and retail sales rising. In recent months, the government has raised spending on construction of ports and other infrastructure, cut rates and eased curbs on home-buying to try to stimulate the domestic demand that economists say is needed to sustain growth.

VIL denies talks or tie-up with Musk's Starlink

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TELECOM service provider Vodafone Idea on Tuesday denied any talks or tie-up with Elon Musk-led Starlink.

The company, in an exchange filing, said the company is not in any such discussion with the named party, and it isn't aware of the basis of the said the news. Last week, there were news reports that the government could sell its 33% stake in Vodafone Idea to tech billionaire Musk and his satellite internet venture Starlink.

"We would like to submit that the company is not in any such discussion with the named party. We are not aware of the basis of the said news item. We wish to reiterate and clarify that the company will comply with SEBI Listing Regulations and duly keep the stock exchanges informed of all the price sensitive information," said Vodafone Idea, in an exchange filing.

However, share price of the company has been rallying for the past few weeks, touching over Rs 17 apiece last week. The loss-making telco has been trying to raise funds from financial investors as well as banks but so far, no announcement has been made. Vi chief executive Akshaya Moondra had earlier said that discussions with potential investors will close in the December quarter, followed by debt funding from banks.

Fuel pumps run dry as truckers protest over new law

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

More than 2,000 petrol pumps in the country, particularly in remote areas, on Tuesday faced fuel crisis due to the ongoing protest by truck drivers.

Petrol pumps in states such as Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Punjab either are out of petrol and diesel stock or on the verge of running out.

There was a huge rush at pumps as people were seen refuelling their vehicles out of panic in these states. However, oil companies such as Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) maintained that they have topped up tanks but if the protest continues for the next two or three days, there may be a crisis situation.

"Our petrol pumps have started facing shortage today as oil tankers are not being allowed by these protesters to reach the depot to refill petrol pumps. Moreover, there were reports of ransacking at Meerut depot. Therefore, I request truck drivers and protesters to shun violence and sort out the issue peacefully, by dialogue," according to Ajay Bansal, general secretary of All-India Petroleum Traders (FAIPT). It all began on Monday when truck, bus and tanker operators launched a three-day protest on the new criminal law Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), , formulated to replace the Indian Penal Code, for hit-and-run cases.

According to the new regulation, a driver may face up to 10 years' imprisonment in a hit-and-run case. Truckers consider this law harsh on them. The drivers believe that in case of an accident, there are chances of mob lynching. There are about 1 lakh trucks that ferry petrol and diesel as well as LPG from oil company depots to petrol pumps and gas distribution agencies.

EXPRESS READ

upGrad's KnowledgeHut CEO Reddy quits

BENGALURU: Top Edtech unicorn upGrad-owned KnowledgeHut's CEO Subramanyam Reddy has resigned from the firm, and the company has appointed Asheesh Sharma- President, Short Courses and Bootcamps, effective January 2, 2024. Reddy quit the firm last month with no notice period. Started in 2015, upGrad integrated its massive study-abroad portfolio and consolidated its organic and inorganic businesses under a single operating stream. *ENS*

Women employees can grant pension to child

NEW DELHI: A woman central government employee or pensioner fighting a domestic violence case or involved in divorce proceedings can nominate her child for pension instead of husband. Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions issued a notification allowing women employees to do so after amending the pension rules. At present, if a deceased employee or pensioner is survived by a spouse, pension is granted to spouse. *ENS*

There's need for more investment in biotech: Namdhari's CEO

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

THE need of the hour is more investment in biotech as it enables us to map all the strains of viruses that are prevalent in the country, said Gurmukh Roopra, CEO, Namdhari's Group.

The Group is into agribusiness and also the largest offshore manufacturer of hybrid seeds in the country. In an interaction with this paper, he said a lot of research takes place into developing a product with a particular trait. "Today, chili areas have a huge problem of thrips. There are different strains between what grows in Andhra and what grows in MP, which are two major chili hubs. There are not many varieties which are available that can withstand these pressures," said Roopra, stressing on need for investments in biotech.

He added, "We can have varieties that can be targeted to withstand particular strains."

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Namdhari's works with over 500,000 farmers and in FY22, it clocked an annual turnover of ₹560 crore and this rose to ₹650 crore in 2023. With 26 retail outlets in Bengaluru and Hyderabad, it plans to expand into new markets. In retail business, it is looking to raise between $30 million and $50 million. The retail segment clocked an annual turnover of ₹150 crore in FY23.

It plans many new initiatives in 2024. "We have a lot of new products that are in pipeline. We have a good range of hot peppers that are coming into market for farmers. In production business, we are looking at expanding our portfolios."

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, CUTTACK

O-2072

At/Po-NAYABAZAR, DIST- CUTTACK-753004, TEL NO.0671-2442299, Email-Id-serw_ctc@yahoo.com

1st corrigendum to Bid Identification No. Tender Online RWD 32/23 vide T.O. lt. No. 5021 dt.15.12.2023

No.-5272 dt.-30/12/2023

The Tender invited in the above Tender Call Notice No-Tender Online RWD 32/23 invited by the Chief Constructionn Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Cuttack vide letter no.5021, dt.15.12.2023 is hereby rescheduled.

(i) Clause no-06 of NIT is modified as below:-

Procurement officer	Bid Identification No	Availability of Tender on-line for bidding				Last date & time of seeking Tender Clarification		Date & time of opening of tender			
		From		To				Technical Bid		Financial Bid	
1	2	3		4		5		6		7	
		Previously fixed on	Presently modified to	Previously fixed on	Presently modified to	Previously fixed on	Presently modified to	Previously fixed on	Presently modified to	Previously fixed on	Presently modified to
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Cuttack	Tender Online RWC-32/23	28.12.23 at 11.30 A.M	03.01.24 At 11.30 A.M	11.01.24 to 05.00 P.M	17.01.24 to 05.00 P.M	11.01.24 up to 02.00 P.M	17.01.24 up to 02.00 P.M	12.01.24 at 11.30 A.M	18.01.24 at 11.30 A.M	will be intimated later on	will be intimated later on

All other terms & conditions remain unaltered.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
Rural Works Circle, Cuttack

OIPR-25097/11/0039/2324

Government of Odisha
Sports & Youth Services Department

Reference No: - SYS-CBII-CC-0077-2023/33692 Date 29/12/2023

Request for Proposal

TT-37: Sports & Youth Services Department, Government of Odisha extends the Bid Due Date and calls for bids from reputed agencies to the RfP for "Procurement of Generic Kits for Khelo India Youth Games DSYS, Govt of Odisha"

The details of the document are available at the below mentioned website.

Website: https://sports.odisha.gov.in/ https://tendersodisha.gov.in/

Interested firms/ parties/ agencies are advised to study the RfP document carefully before submitting their bid.

Important Dates and Information:

Date of Publication - 20/12/2023

Last date and time of submission of proposal - **03/01/2024; Time: 3:00 pm.**

Opening of the Technical Bid - 03/01/2024; Time: 4:00 pm.

Sd/-
Joint Secretary

OIPR-29001/11/0136/2324

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RACPC MALLESHWARAM (41161)
No. 97, Railway Parallel Road, Kumarapark West, Bangalore -560020
Ph: 080 25943732, 25943720 ,Email: racpc.bz1@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

UNDER SUB SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED ACT)

At your request, State Bank of India has extended credit facility to you, **Smt Sujatha B C.**, W/o Sri B T Neelakanta Murthy, & **Sri Santosh B N.**,S/o Sri B T Neelakanta Murthy, through its Rajajinagar 1st Block Branch, Bengaluru various credit facility by way of financial assistance against various assets creating security interest in favour of the bank. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities and the security agreement / documents executed by the borrower are furnished in the demand notice dated **06.11.2023.** The said financial assistance is also secured by way of deposit of title deeds creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The relevant particular of the secured asset is specifically furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facility has become irregular, the debt has been classified as Non Performing Asset on **30.10.2023** in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice Dated **06.11.2023.** sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged by you, hence this notice is now published

The accounts have been transferred from Rajajinagar 1st Block Branch, Bengaluru to RACPC, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru, for administration reasons and hence the undersigned is competent to issue the notice.

A/c No.: HL 64056978998

Name and address of the Borrowers: **1.Smt Sujatha B C.**, W/o Sri B T Neelakanta Murthy, #128, Sambrudhi Nilaya, 24th Main, J.C Nagar, Kurubarahalli, Bengaluru – 560086, **2.Sri Santosh B N.**,S/o Sri B T Neelakanta Murthy, #128, Sambrudhi Nilaya,24th Main, J.C Nagar, Kurubarahalli,Bengaluru – 560086

Outstanding Loan Amount: Rs.13,25,820-00 (Rupees thirteen lakh twenty five thousand eight hundred twenty only) as on 03.11.2023 and interest from 04.11.2023 with future interest at the contractual rate together with incidental expenses, costs, charges, etc thereon.

Schedule of Property : All that part and parcel of Residential House property No. 38 (Presently No. 15, Pipeline Cross, J.C Nagar, Bengaluru) in Survey No. 37, Khata No. 1130 Situated at Laggere Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru. Measuring East to West 40.00 Feet X North to South 60.00 Feet. Property standing in the name of Smt. Sujatha B.C, W/o Sri B.T Neelakanta Murthy.**Bound:** On the East by: Property Belonging to Sri Anandan & Govindaraju,On the West by: 25 Feet Road, On the North by; Remaining portion of the Property No. 38, Belongs to Vendor,On the South by: Site No. 37, Remaining Portion of the Vendor's Property.

Mortgage Deed No. LAG-1-05568-2009-10 Dated 18.03.2010 at Senior Sub Registrar Office Laggere, Bengaluru.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act whereunder you can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire amount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not tendered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s).

Date : **06.11.2023**
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
RACPC MALLESHWARAM,Bengaluru

ನಗರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಉಡುಪಿ

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಉನಸಃಬ1ಃಸಿಆರ್:2023–24

ದಿನಾಂಕ: 01–01–2024

ಟೆಂಡರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಉಡುಪಿ ನಗರಸಭಾ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ರಸ್ತೆ ವಿಭಜಕಳಿಗೆ **BOT** ಆಧಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ದಾರಿದೀಪಗಳನ್ನು ಅಳವಡಿಸಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಚರಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡುವ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನು ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು **R.F.P. Document** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ (ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿರುವಂತೆ) **e-procurement** ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಚೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದವರಿಂದ ಮತ್ತು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಿಂದ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

1) ತುಂಬಿದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08–01–2024 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ.
2) ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲಾದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 09–01–2024 ಸಂಜೆ 5.01 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ.
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ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.	ಟ್ರಾನ್ಸಾಕ್ಷನ್ ಫೀ
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ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಿಂದ ಟೆಂಡರು ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟವರಿಂದ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/– ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು,
ಉಡುಪಿ, ನಗರಸಭೆ

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its lawful owner viz., Smt. Suma Kasi, aged about 50 years, W/o Sri. Murli Kasi, residing at No. 24/2, Maruthi Manor, Kanakapura Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004. The Owner represent that she is the absolute owner and have good marketable right, title and interest therein and there are no other persons have any right or claim over the Schedule Property.

Any person or persons, Banks, Financial institutions etc., having any valid right, title interest or any claim over the Schedule Property or any portions of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objection/claim/s within 14days from the date of this public notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Plot No.2/1 (Earlier part of old No 2(2/1 and 2/2)) (Part of Old No.2) situated at 1st Main Road, Lakkasandra Village Bangalore-560 030, bearing BBMP Ward No. 62 and PID No. 62-37-2/1, coming within the limits of earlier Ward No. 62, now new ward no. 145/Hombegowda Nagara of BBMP, measuring North to South 40 feet and east to west 60 feet, and bounded on: EAST BY : Property Bearing number 2. WEST BY : Property Sold to Shabbir Hussaini. NORTH BY: Road and SOUTH BY: Private Property.

V.PADMANABHA NAIDU, M.A.LL.B., ADVOCATE,
No.127/34, 7th Cross, 4th Main, Wilson Garden,
Bangalore - 560 027,9901051331(M)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client **Sri. R.M. Venkatesh** and **Smt. Manjula** are entered into registered agreement of sale for the purchase of property bearing Southern half portion of Immovable converted vacant property bearing Sy No.74, New BBMP Khatha No.2403/74, measuring 0-03 Guntas, (measuring 3267 Sq.ft) comprised in converted land in Survey Number.74, Conversion Order No.ALN(SU)SR/10/14-15, dated 01/06/2015, issued by the office of the special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, situated at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now in BBMP, and bounded on the

East by : Remaining portion of property bearing Sy No.74
West by : Common Road in Spring Valley
North by : Remaining Northern half portion of Sy No.74
South by : Remaining portion of same Sy No.74.

From, Mrs.Vajramma, S Venkatesh, Naveen P.S. and Ravi P.S. all are family members of Sri.Someshwara P N and her legal heirs.

Any Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections / claims with documentary evidence **within 7 days** from this day to the undersigned.

KCS Associates, Advocates,
Flat No.G-1, Sai Smaran Apartment,
1st Main Road, Pailayout, Bengaluru-560016.
Mobile Nos. **9242323824**
Purchaser Ph No. **9620064173.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

That my clients Smt. Jayamma .G.L, D/o Late G.M. Lingarajan and Late Karibasamma, W/o. T. Govindappa, R/at No. 580, 4th Main, 10th Cross, West of Chord Road, 2nd Stage, Mahalakshmipuram Layout, Bangalore-86. My clients father G.M. Lingarajan is the owner of the property. The G.M. Lingarajan is died on 30-10-2005 after the death at the time of shifting the house the said documents was misplaced i.e., sale deed, memo and other documents. My clients Jayamma. G.L. and others are the owners of the property mentioned in the schedule below. That the original memo, dated 23-09-1955 / 24/01/1956 issued by CITB Bangalore and original sale deed Executed by Deputy Secretary, Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore in favour of G.M. Lingarajan, S/o. Late Muddappa is registered as Document No. 420/1984-85, Volume No. 1336, at pages 108-110, registered on 09-05-1984, in the office of the Sub Register, Basavanagudi Bangalore are lost the documents.

My client further states that on 25-12-2023 at the time of shifting the house from Hanumanthnagara to Mahalakshmi layout lost the said Original sale deed, Memo and other documents. In spite of thorough search she could not find the same. In this regard my client lodged a police complaint to the jurisdictional Bangalore City / Mahalakshmipuram Layout Police on 01-01-2024 and the same was registered in Lost Report No. 0870644/2024.

My client hereby request the General Public that anybody who found the said document may kindly contact the undersigned and return the same within 15 days from the date of receipt of this notice.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of the House property No. 252, in Sunkenahalli Extension Katha PID No. 52-44-52 of BBMP, situated 1st Cross, 3rd Main, Hanumanthanagara, Bangalore and the site measuring East to West 25 Feet and North to South 45 Feet in all measuring 1125 Feet having the residential building of 2700 Square Feet on Ground, First and Second Floor and bounded on the :-

East by: 3rd Main Road, North by: Site No. 229, West by: Site No. 253, South by : 1st Cross road.

MANJUNATHA .S.C, Advocate
No. 123, Lakshmi Nivasa, 2nd Floor, 47th Cross,
20th Main, Near Dhobi Ghat Bus Stand, Rajajinagar,
Bangalore-560010. Mob No. 9448226484
E-Mail: manjusc73@gmail.com
Date : 02.01.2024

IN THE COURT OF THE XIX ADDL, CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BANGALORE (CCH-40)

P & S.C. No. 690/2022

Petitioner:Hamsaveni aged about 77 years, residing at No.14/A, Manorayanapalya, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560032. **V/s.**

Respondent: Post Master R T Nagar Post Office

(PUBLIC NOTICE)
(U/O 5 RULE 20 OF CPC)

WHEREAS, the above named has made petition to this court under Section 372 of Indian Succession Act for the grant of Succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioner, in respect of schedule mentioned below. The below mentioned schedule has held by Late M Govinda Raj, brother of Petitioner herein, who expired on 08.02.2014.

Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this Court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **02.02.24 at 11 a.m.** appearance will be heard and considered as Respondents are nil.

SCHEDULE

The Post office account No.35016 of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs only) under monthly income scheme.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, this 18th day Dec of 2023.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Assistant Registrar
City Civil Court, Bangaluru

Address for service
Vijayalakshmi K, Advocate,
No. 1, 3rd Main, Near Hebbal Bus Stand,
Hebbal, Bangalore-560024

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client **SRI.VENKATESHWARA REDDY VATTIGUNTA,** aged about 80 years, S/o.Late.Vattigunta Sreerami Reddy, residing at No.M F 7/1, 2nd Main, SFHS BDA Flats, BTM Layout 2nd Stage, Opp Santiniketan School, Bannerghatta Main Road, Bengaluru-560 076, lost the original documents. i.e., a) Possession Certificate ref No.BOOHBCS/P.C./493/860/233/1994-95, dt:11-01-1995, b)registered sale deed dt:06-01-1995, registered as document No.10496/1995-96 of Book-I, Volume 1102, at pages 73 to 75, registered in the office of sub-registrar, Kengeri and c) BBMP Katha Certificate and Extract both dt:14-09-2015, in respect of site bearing No.233, BBMP Municipal Katha No.223, Layout formed by the B.O.O.H.B.Co-op Society Ltd., situated at earlier Doddakallasandra and Raghuvanahalli Villages, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru, Now 5th Stage, B.O.O.H.B.Co-op Society Ltd., Doddakallsandra, Bengaluru, measuring East to West:60 feet and North to South: 40 feet, totally measuring 2400 sq.ft.,

My client notified the jurisdictional police about the loss of the said documents Vide Lost report No.BLRC202312269, Dt:26-12-2023.

Any person finding the aforesaid original Documents are requested to kindly contact the undersigned and handover the same immediately and the persons will be suitably rewarded by my Client.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is"** and **"As is what is","** basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Name & address of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor/s	Description of the Immovable property	Total Dues	Date & time of e-Auction	1) Reserve Price, 2) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) 3) Bid Increase Amount	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical) Property	Property Inspection Date & Time
1. M/S Sriven Properties, having its registered office at Sriven Rag Landmark, #2, 5th floor, Wilson Garden, Hosur Road, Bengaluru 560027 **2. Mr. T J Raghavendra Murthy** Residing at #1088,Sriven Mansion Near Manipal Hospital BEML Layout 5th Stage Rajarajeshwari Nagar Bangalore-560098 **3. Mr. C R Madhu** Residing at #1088,Sriven Mansion Near Manipal Hospital BEML Layout 5thStage Rajarajeshwari Nagar Bangalore-560098	**1.** All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 106 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1069 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Open Space North: Open space and Flat no. 107 South: Open Space and Flat no. 105.	**Rs. 6,47,80,300.93/-** (Rupees Six Crores Forty Seven Lakhs Eighty Thousand Three Hundred and Paise Ninety Three Only) as on 30.12.2023 plus Further interest and other charges	**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.35,79,012.00** EMD: **3,57,901.20** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	2. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 107 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1227 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Open Space North: Open Space South: Open Space and Flat no. 106		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.41,07,996.00** EMD: **4,10,799.60** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	3. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 108 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1200 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6,BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Corridor and Open Space North: Open Space South: Open Space and Corridor		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.40,17,600.00** EMD: **4,01,760.00** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	4. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 109 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1625Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division, Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Corridor and Open Space North: Open space South: Open to space, staircase and corridor		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.54,40,500.00** EMD: **5,44,050.00** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	5.All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 204 First Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1064 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Open Space and Flat no. 203 West: Open Space and Flat No:205 North: Entrance Lobby South: Open Space		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 35,62,272.00** EMD: **3,56,227.20** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	6.All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 208 First Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1200 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Open Space North: Open Space South: Open Space		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 40,17,600.00** EMD: **4,01,760.00** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	7.All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 210 First Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1407 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6,BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Corridor North: Open Space South: Corridor.		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 47,10,636.00** EMD: **4,71,063.60** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	8.All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 402 Third Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1064 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division, Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Open Space and Flat no. 401 West: Open Space and Flat No.403 North: Entrance Lobby South: Open Space		**30.01.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 35,62,272.00/-** EMD: **3,56,227.20/-** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 19.01.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://ibapi.in. Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 080-25011280/286/350 Mobile: 8420993772.

Date: 29.12.2023, Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorized Officer, ZOSAR Branch, Bengaluru, Bank of Baroda

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NOTICE TO BORROWER
(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

To,
M/s Unique Intertrade Private Limited
Registered address: Survey No 77 Church Road, K Channasandra, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka – 560043.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Credit facilities as CC limit and BGECL with our Mani Nagar West (EDB)

Our previous Demand notice dated 14/08/2023 and published on 28/09/2023-in newspapers namely 1.THE HINDU & KANNADA PRABHA AT BANGALURE 2. AHMEDABAD EXPRESS & PUBLIC CALL AT AHMEDABAD issued under sub-section (2) of section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 stands cancelled. We are issuing fresh notice as under.

1. We refer to our Letter dated 30.11.2015 conveying sanction of various credit facilities and the terms of sanction. Pursuant to the above sanction you have availed and started utilizing the credit facilities after providing security for the same, as hereinafter stated. The present outstanding in various loan/credit facility accounts and the security interests created for such liability are as under:

Sl No	Nature And Type of Facility	Limit	Rate Of Interest	Outstanding (Contractual Dues) as on date of notice (including interest up to date of notice)	Security Agreement with brief description of securities.
01	CC Limit	Rs. 2,90,00,000/- (Two crore Ninety Lakh only)	11.55%	Outstanding : Rs.2,92,25,606.97 As on 28.07.2023 Interest from 30/04/2023 upto 04/12/2023 @ rate of 11.55% Rs. 26,77,039.16 Total-Rs. 3,19,02,646.13	(a) Equitable Mortgage of Flat No. D/3, 4TH Floor, Vijay Tower, Near Kankaria Lake Besides Hill Park Society, Kankaria Road, Mani Nagar, Ahmedabad, Area of Flat 142.14 Sq Mtrs and Carpet Area 87.53 sq meter Approx. Stands record in the name of Ms Meera Jumarmal Bothra, Boundries: East: Building margin and Road, West: Flat No. D4, North: Building Margin, South: Passage and Flat No. D/02. (b) Equitable Mortgage of Flat No. D/4,4th Floor, Vijay Tower, Near Kankaria Lake, Besides Hill Park Society, Kankaria Road, Mani Nagar, Ahmedabad, Area of Flat 142.14 Sq Mtrs and Carpet Area 87.53 sq meter Approx. Stands record in the name of Ms Urmila Chandalmal Bothra.
02	BGECL Term loan	Rs. 81,00,000/- (Eighty one lakh only)	9.25%	Outstanding : Rs. 81,00,000/- As on 28.07.2023 Interest from 30/04/2023 up to 04/12/2023@ rate of 9.25% Rs.4,20,477.71 Total – Rs. 85,20,477.71 as on 04.12.2023	

Boundries: East :Flat No. D 3, West: Building Margin, North : Building Margin, South: Passage and Flat No. D/01.

c) Equitable Mortgage of Flat No. 2, Ground Floor, GM Elegancy Apartment, Property Bearing Site No. 34,35 and 36, CMC Katha No. 5562, 5563 and 5564, situated at Halagevaderahalli village, 3rd Main Road, off Kenchenahalli Road, Near State Bank of India, BEML Layout, RR Nagar Branch, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560098. The boundaries are : East: Deccan Arcade Apartment/private property, West: Public Road, North: Public Road, South: private property No. 37.

(d). Hypothecation Agreement dated 30.11.2015 of stock, Book debts and Plant & Machineries.

2. In the Letter of Acknowledgement of Debt dated **28.12.2021** you have acknowledged your liability to the Bank to the tune of **Rs.2,81,28,369.73** (Rupees Two Crore Eighty One Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Nine and Paise Seventy Three Only) **as on 28.12.2021 for CC limit and Rs.81,00,000/- (eighty one lakh only) as on 31.12.2021 for BGECL.**
3. As you are aware, you have committed defaults in compliance of the Terms and conditions of the Sanction in above loan and you have not complied by ensuring desired turn over in the account as per the terms of sanction (mention here the Technical reason of NPA in the part of the Borrower).
4. Consequent upon the defaults committed by you, your loan account has been classified as non-performing asset on **28.07.2023** in accordance with the Reserve Bank of India directives and guidelines. In spite of our repeated requests and demands you have not complied the Terms and Conditions.
5. Having regard to your inability to meet your liabilities in respect of the credit facilities duly secured by various securities mentioned in para 1 above, and classification of your account as a non-performing asset, we hereby give you notice under sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and call upon you to pay in full and discharge your liabilities to the Bank aggregating **Rs.4,04,23,123.84 (Four Crore Four Lakh Twenty Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Three And Paise Eighty Four Only)** including interest upto **04.12.2023** as stated in para 1 above, within 60 days from the date of this notice. We further give you notice that failing payment of the above amount with interest till the date of payment, we shall be free to exercise all or any of the rights under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act, which please note.
6. Please note that, interest will continue to accrue at the rates specified in para 1 above for each credit facility until payment in full.
7. We invite your attention to sub-section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you are barred from transferring any of the secured assets referred to in para 1 above by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of business), without obtaining our prior written consent. We may add that non-compliance with the above provision contained in section 13(13) of the said Act, is an offence punishable under section 29 of the Act.
8. We further invite your attention to sub section (8) of section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you may redeem the secured assets, if the amount of dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is tendered by you, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction/inviting quotations/tender /private treaty. Please note that after publication of the notice as above, your right to redeem the secured assets will not be available.
9. Please note that this demand notice is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which we may have, including without limitation, the right to make further demands in respect of sums owing to us.

Enclosed: Statement of accounts.

Date : 16.12.2023
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Chief Manager,
Bank of Baroda

Nadal returns with a win in Brisbane

Rafael Nadal showed no signs of rust from his year off the tour, winning his return match over former No 3-ranked Dominic Thiem 7-5, 6-1 at the Brisbane International on Tuesday. The 22-time Major winner hadn't played a singles match at the elite level since a second-round exit at the Australian Open last January.

As India begin a long year of Test cricket, focus will be on how the younger batters own their spots in the team

Time for next-gen to stake claim

GOMESH S @ Chennai

WHEN India toured South Africa in late 2017, it was supposed to be the beginning of something special. A year filled with overseas tours that started in South Africa before going to England and Australia. The likes of Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, Cheteshwar Pujara, Ajinkya Rahane had been through a similar cycle four years earlier, and were at the peak of their powers as international cricketers. It was their chance to make the most of the chances, having experienced them in the past. However, India came out of it with one win in South Africa, one in England before going on to win their first ever Test series in Australia.

Since that series win in Australia, India have won again Down Under and levelled a Test series in England. South Africa, however, remains the final frontier — the country where they are yet to win a Test series. It was the tagline when they toured two years ago under Kohli and it was the same at the start of the ongoing series under Rohit. And it would still be the same as they are set to take the field in Cape Town on Wednesday. They have missed their chance at making a mark in the Rainbow Nation, not just this time but during their last three tours. It was their best chance to do so with the experience of the proven match-winners and the potent pace attack they had developed. The final frontier remains unconquered.

While there are a lot of reasons as to why India lost, there is a significant difference between this tour to the last two. For the first time in ten years, Rohit and Kohli aren't at the forefront. The slip cordon is guarded by the likes of Shubman Gill, Yashasvi Jaiswal where Rohit and Pujara used to be. Shreyas Iyer is at gully, where Rahane used to be. And that, in essence, sums up where the Indian Test team is at the moment. The transition that began a while ago is getting to a stage where the youngsters are outnumbering the veterans and it is showing. Jaiswal is playing only his fourth Test, Gill has batted at No.3 only thrice, Iyer has played one Test in England and Centurion was his first in South Africa.

India's Shubman Gill (R) is going through a lean patch in the longest format | PTI

Ten years ago, when Kohli, Rohit, Rahane and Pujara arrived on South African shores, it was their first time as well. However, Kohli had established himself as the heir-apparent to the No. 4 slot after Sachin Tendulkar, and he made it clear in that tour with a century. He followed it up with another in New Zealand before smashing multiple hundreds in Australia later in 2014. Pujara had piled on runs in the long home season, and scored a century in Johannesburg and added to the misery of Australians later. Rahane, Murali Vijay and Shikhar Dhawan left an impression, scoring centuries in at least one of the SENA countries that season. In many ways, that season was when the next decade of India's Test batting was determined; where the veterans of today came of age.

Today, with Pujara and Rahane out of the Test team, Rohit at the top and Kohli at No 4 are the glue that is holding this batting line-up together. Which is why, despite the frontier remaining unconquered, there is a lot to look forward to for India in the longest format of the game in 2024. While the year starts in Cape Town, India have ten home Tests — five against England, three against New Zealand and two versus Bangladesh — before they travel to Australia for a five-match series. Next year, they will be travelling to England for another five-match series. Although the England trip is still 18 months away, the next 12 months will determine how India's Test batting looks in the coming decade, where Gill, Jaiswal, Iyer, Ruturaj Gaikwad and Rishabh Pant (if and when he comes back) stand in the longest format and more.

On Wednesday though, all eyes will be on the likes of Gill and Jaiswal. For both of them have been batting prodigies and have broken into the Indian team through the sheer weightage of their performances and are expected to go on and do big things. Gill, especially, will be on the radar with the lean patch he has had. Rohit, however, threw his weight behind the youngster on Tuesday. "Gill is smart and understands his batting pretty well," he said. "He prefers that number (No. 3). He has batted in the Ranji Trophy at that number around that position. He has opened in Test and limited overs game but the No. 3 was his preference. He feels he can do well for us batting at that position. It is an individual things about how you think about certain positions."

Whether Gill will make that position his own or not remains to be seen. What is clear, however, is that this Test and the ones ahead are more about the younger generation than seeking redemptions and conquering unfulfilled frontiers.

CAN INDIA LEVEL SERIES?

As Rohit & Co eye a comeback in Cape Town, a look at key talking points...

FAIRYTALE FINISH FOR ELGAR?

Score a century and help the team go up in your farewell series and then head into your last Test for your country as a stand-in captain — sporting scripts couldn't get better than this. And **Dean Elgar** here has a chance to go out on a high as a captain for one last time. Can he?

AVESH OR PRASIDH?

While Prasidh Krishna got a chance in Centurion, he was not able to make the most of it. With Avesh Khan being included in the squad, the conundrum comes down to whether he will play or Prasidh will continue. It will be crucial for India to make the right choice to have an impact.

TIME FOR ROHIT THE BATTER TO STEP UP?

128 runs in 10 innings at 12.8 does not look good for someone like **Rohit Sharma** in South Africa. Considering it is likely to be his last Test in the country, he would want to leave a mark and help the team level the series at Newlands, Cape Town.

4 INDIA HAVE LOST FOUR OF THE SIX TESTS THEY'VE PLAYED AT NEWLANDS, DRAWING THE REMAINING TWO.

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Tough times for Dipa but preps going well: Coach

TANMAY DAS @ Bhubaneswar

THE last six months have been tumultuous to say the least for Dipa Karmakar. The diminutive gymnast from Agartala, who is participating in the senior nationals (Artistic Gymnastics) after eight years, had even thought about quitting the sport that has given her name and fame. The reason had not been lack of motivation but for being slighted for the Asian Games by the sports ministry even after topping the trials.

Dipa's coach Bishweshwar Nandi, who has been guiding her since childhood, is here with his ward, hoping for a positive finish at the senior nationals. Even now, the coach recollects those moments that almost broke Dipa down. "It was a very tough phase," he said. Despite topping the Asian Games trial, Dipa was dropped from the gymnastic team and the coach felt that it scarred her. His argument was that the selection criteria that being based on previous performances in gymnastics was not sound. He hopes this nationals would be a good place for her to make a comeback.

Dipa Karmakar (L) and her coach Bishweshwar Nandi | DEBADATTA MALLICK

"For every big event a selection trial tournament used to be held to finalise the team," he said on the sidelines of the senior nationals here on Tuesday. "I never heard that the gymnastics team selection was held on the basis of prior performance. Whoever made this rule is going to spoil the sports in future. In gymnastics, which is an injury-prone sport, current form and performance matter."

Dipa spent many sleepless nights, first not knowing whether she would be in the team, and later, for not being included in the Asian Games team. "It was really tough for both of us. I took the initiative to help Dipa recover and that was possible through focusing on our training. She told me that she is physically and mentally strong to perform in the national championships at Bhubaneswar and here we are."

In the last eight years, she could not participate in any national championship, but during that period she took part in different international events. Dipa had to battle a string of injuries including excruciate ligament (ACL) tear in ahead of the Covid pandemic that shut everything down before she was slapped a 21-month doping ban that ended last year. Nandi is hoping for a good show at the nationals and believes that the preparation has been good.

Meanwhile, local favorite gymnast Rakesh Kumar Patra regained his overall national champion title after eight years. Siddharth of RSPB and Gaurav Kumar of SSCB finished second and third, respectively. Railways bagged the men's team title with 293 points. The second and third place in the team event was claimed by Services and Odisha with 292.10 and 290.40 points, respectively.

EXPRESS READ

Injury worries for Djokovic, Tsitsipas

PERTH: Novak Djokovic insisted Tuesday a sore right wrist which required on-court treatment was "not a major concern" as he led Serbia into the quarterfinals of the United Cup. In Sydney, Stefanos Tsitsipas also struggled with an injury, to the lower back. The Greek World No 6 was expected to meet Chilean number one Nicolas Jarry, but sat it out.

Hermoso testifies about kissing gate

MADRID: Spanish World Cup-winning star Jenni Hermoso told a judge on Tuesday that the kiss forced on her by former Spanish football chief Luis Rubiales was "at no point consensual" and that she had come under pressure to defend his actions. The 33-year-old testified before Judge Francisco de Jorge, who is investigating Rubiales on allegations of sexual assault and coercion.

Trott to continue as Afghan coach in 2024

KABUL: Afghanistan head coach Jonathan Trott's contract has been extended for a year, the country's cricket board announced, rewarding him for making significant contributions to the team's progress and development. Having taken over as head coach in July 2022, the former England batter's 18-month tenure came to an end in 2023.

Chennai Open: Six share lead after Rd 4

CHENNAI: P Saravana Krishnan was on top of the table despite his loss to Adhiraj Mitra in the fourth round of the ongoing Chennai Open International Grandmaster Chess tournament on Tuesday. Krishnan shared the lead of 4 points with five other GMs - Fedorov Alexei, Glek Igor, Khusenkhojaev Muhammad, Manik Mikulas & Nguyen Duc Hoa.

Clinical Australia hand Kaur & Co first reality check of 2024

KALYANI MANGALE @ Chennai

IT was the 28th over of the chase in the third and final ODI against Australia. India were seven wickets down while chasing 339 to avoid a clean sweep at the Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai. That is when Australian captain, Alyssa Healy, introduced Annabel Sutherland. The medium pacer only bowled 18 balls, giving away nine runs while taking two wickets. She was required for that job alone. Tahlia McGrath, the vice-captain, who was trapped in front on the first ball she faced, didn't even bowl a single over. Ellyse Perry, Australia's highest-ever wicket-taker, didn't bowl in the entire series. And yet, Australia won the third and final ODI — the hosts were bundled out for 148 — to burst India's bubble after a dominant Test win.

Before the white-ball series, it was clear that both teams were in transition phase. India, with the introduction of a few new faces like Saika Ishaque and a head coach in Amol Muzumdar. Meanwhile, this was Australia's first series after a change of guard with leadership. After their first-ever loss against India in Tests, Australia were not runaway favourites like they always have been. Given their losses against England in the ODI and T20I leg of the Ashes, it was a new territory for them.

Yet, the double World Cup champions ended up with one of their highest chases in the ODIs, a close win, and their highest score against India in the format. They showed that the engine room or even if the entire engine is changed, they will still collect trophies.

It is not that the Indian squad has no talent at their disposal. Shreyanka Patil, in her debut ODI series, has looked million dollars with the ball. Jemimah Rodrigues and Pooja Vastrakar have done their job with the bat. Deepti Sharma — the bowler — has once again proved her importance. Richa Ghosh's brave innings in the second ODI was noteworthy too. However, none of these individual performances have won India any matches.

Beth Mooney (R) takes the catch of India captain Harmanpreet Kaur | SPORTZPICS

Harmanpreet Kaur's lean patch with the bat in the series — her scores read 9, 5, 3 — has to be one of the biggest concerns. Smriti Mandhana has not converted her good starts. Shafali Verma was dropped after the first match. Deepti — the middle-order batter — has not impressed at all in recent times. While the old guard of the team is having issues over a long period, doing the same thing again and again and expecting a different result does not seem to be helping. Neither does pinning the losses on one aspect of the game. "We always talk about their fielding. Skill-wise, we are very close, but their fielding is something we have always appreciated and taken from them," Kaur mentioned in the post-match presentation when asked what she would like to take from Australia.

However, there is something she would like to take from the opposition as well. Despite their most decorated captain announcing retirement before the series, and their current captain coming from a lengthy injury break, Australia found a way to win. India have enough talent to make it happen too.

With the T20 and ODI WCs in the subcontinent, none of the teams have a lot of time to go through trial and error. The sooner India realise it, the better it would be for them. **Brief scores:** Australia 338/7 in 50 ovs (Litchfield 119, Healy 82; Patil 3/57) **bt** India 148 in 32.4 ovs (Mandhana 29; Wareham 3/23).

Jr wrestlers plan protest at Jantar Mantar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

FRUSTRATED with the uncertainty that the ongoing mess has cast over their future, upcoming wrestlers are planning to stage a protest at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on Wednesday. It is learnt that wrestlers from Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and Haryana are expected to reach the venue by 11 am to raise their voice against the mismanagement that has brought the sport to a standstill.

Earlier, Bajrang Punia, Sakshi Malik and Vinesh Phogat also launched their protest against the former Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) president Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh at the same venue in January last year.

"I have been informed about the plan by the owner of an akhara. It's the age-group or junior wrestlers who are bearing the brunt of nationals not being held. Even in my akhara, junior wrestlers didn't get any competition in 2023 and now they are over-aged. They are planning to be part of the protest," an owner of an akhara in New Delhi said.

It is learnt that a few international medallists have also written letters to the United World Wrestling (UWW) urging it to restore normalcy in the administration of the sport.

"We don't have any issues with the protest by these top wrestlers but they are claiming that they are fighting for their juniors which is not true. They had achieved what they wanted to on the wrestling mat but their protest is now preventing these budding wrestlers from achieving their dreams," the owner added.

One of the wrestlers, who has written to the UWW, said, "The time has come to expose these top wrestlers as they have hijacked the sport in the name of justice."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Action from the match between Chennai Quick Guns & Odisha Juggernauts

Thrilling ties in kho kho league

ENS @ Cuttack

LIGHTNING struck twice at the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium in Cuttack on Tuesday as both matches of the day in Ultimate Kho Kho Season 2 finished in ties. After Chennai Quick Guns and Odisha Juggernauts played out the second consecutive tie (30-30) between them, the match between Gujarat Giants and Mumbai Khiladis finished 26-26. The latter result saw a terrific comeback by Gujarat Giants in the final turn as they defended a narrow seven-point lead. There was little to separate Gujarat Giants and Mumbai Khiladis in the first innings — in fact, their stats mirrored the other's.

FOOTBALL

Mo-numental Salah lifts Liverpool

AGENCIES @ Liverpool

MOHAMED Salah credited a half-time change of boots after scoring twice to send Liverpool three points clear at the top of the Premier League with a 4-2 win over Newcastle.

The Egyptian, playing in his final game before heading off to represent his country at the Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON), had seen a first-half penalty saved by Martin Dubravka. All six goals at Anfield arrived in the second half as Salah opened the floodgates with a simple tap in for his 150th Premier League goal for the Reds.

He then played his part in teeing up goals for Curtis Jones and Cody Gakpo as Jurgen Klopp's men cut loose. And Salah took responsibility once more from the penalty spot to secure the points four minutes from time. "The ones I missed the penalty with I just trained with yesterday. It's not superstition, because I play with many boots, but when I feel like it's going to be in my head, it's out, get new boots. "I don't like to be going to the second half thinking 'I haven't scored in them'. Just change, make my mind calm and focus on my game." Salah also said the thought of leaving for AFCON on the back of failing to score spurred him on in the second period.

Mohamed Salah (R) celebrates after scoring against Newcastle | AP

Liverpool racked up a Premier League record of 7.53 expected goals, but Salah was not the only one guilty of being wasteful in front of goal as it took until late in the game to secure victory. "The players spoke at half-time. We have to stay calm, play our football, we missed a lot of chances, I missed the penalty. I thought 'are you going to be leave for the national team with that performance?'" added Salah. "I just had to really focus, step up and make the difference and managed to do so." Salah could now miss Liverpool's next four Premier League games

I stood there with only the weapons and the powers that Nature had endowed me with – hands, feet, and teeth

- H G Wells, in *The Time Machine*

A study finds that low carbon abundance in planetary atmospheres, which the James Webb Space Telescope can detect, could indicate habitability

The researchers estimate that the James Webb Space Telescope would be able to measure carbon dioxide, and possibly ozone, in nearby, multiplanet systems such as TRAPPIST-1

IN OTHER WORLDS

SCIENTISTS at MIT, the University of Birmingham, and elsewhere say that astronomers' best chance of finding liquid water, and even life on other planets, is to look for the absence, rather than the presence, of a chemical feature in their atmospheres. The researchers' hypothesis proposes that if a terrestrial planet has substantially less carbon dioxide in its atmosphere compared to other planets in the same system, it could be a sign of liquid water — and possibly life — on that planet's surface. What's more, this new signature is within the sights of NASA's James Webb Space Telescope (JWST). While scientists have proposed other signs of habitability, those features are challenging if not impossible to measure with current technologies. The team says this new signature, of relatively depleted carbon dioxide, is the only sign of habitability that is detectable now.

"The Holy Grail in exoplanet science is to look for habitable worlds, and the presence of life, but all the features that have been talked about so far have been beyond the reach of the newest observatories," says Julien de Wit, assistant professor of planetary sciences at MIT, adding, "Now we have a way to find out if there's liquid water on another planet. And it's something we can get to in the next few years."

The team's findings will appear in Nature Astronomy. De Wit co-led the study with Amaury Triaud of the University of Birmingham. Their MIT co-authors include Benjamin Rackham, Prajwal Niraula, Ana Glidden Oliver Jagoutz, Matej Pe, Janusz Petkowski, and Sara Seager, along with Frieder Klein at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), Martin Turbet of Ecole Polytechnique in France, and Franck Selsis of the Laboratoire d'astrophysique de Bordeaux.

Beyond a glimmer

Astronomers have so far detected more than 5,200 worlds beyond our solar system. With current telescopes, astronomers can directly measure a planet's distance to its star and the time it takes it to complete an orbit. Those measurements can help scientists infer whether a planet is within a habitable zone. But there's been no way to directly confirm whether a planet is indeed habitable, meaning that liquid water exists on its surface.

Across our own solar system, scientists can detect the presence of liquid oceans by observing "glints" — flashes of sunlight that reflect off liquid surfaces. These glints, or specular reflections, have been observed, for instance, on Saturn's largest moon, Titan, which helped to confirm the moon's large lakes.

Detecting a similar glimmer in far-off planets, however, is out of reach with current technologies. But de Wit and his colleagues realised there's another habitable feature close to home that could be detectable in distant worlds. "An idea came to us, by looking at what's going on with the terrestrial planets in our own system," Triaud says.

Venus, Earth, and Mars share similarities, in that all three are rocky and inhabit a relatively temperate region with respect to the Sun. Earth is the only planet among the trio that currently hosts liquid water. And the team noted another obvious distinction: Earth has significantly less carbon dioxide in its atmosphere.

"We assume that these planets were created in a similar fashion, and if we see one planet with much less carbon now, it must have gone somewhere," Triaud says, adding, "The only process that could remove that much carbon from an atmosphere is a strong water cycle involving oceans of liquid water."

Indeed, the Earth's oceans have played a major and sustained role in absorbing carbon dioxide. Over hundreds of millions of years, the oceans have taken up a huge amount of carbon dioxide, nearly equal to the amount that persists in Venus' atmosphere today. This planetary-scale effect has left Earth's atmosphere significantly depleted of carbon dioxide compared to its planetary neighbours. "On Earth, much of the atmospheric carbon dioxide has been sequestered in seawater and solid rock over geological timescales, which has helped regulate climate and habitability for billions of years," says Klein.

The team reasoned that if a similar depletion of carbon dioxide were detected in a far-off planet, relative to its neighbours, this would be a reliable signal of liquid oceans and life on its surface.

"After reviewing extensively the literature of many fields from biology, to chemistry, and even carbon sequestration in the context of climate change, we believe that indeed if we detect carbon depletion, it has a good chance of being a strong sign of liquid water and/or life," de Wit says.

A roadmap to life

In their study, the team lays out a strategy for detecting habitable planets by searching for a signature of depleted carbon dioxide. Such a search would work best for "peas-in-a-pod" systems, in which multiple terrestrial planets, all about the same size, orbit relatively close to each other, similar to our own solar system. The first step the team proposes is to confirm that the planets have atmospheres, by simply looking for the presence of carbon dioxide, which is expected to dominate most planetary atmospheres.

"Carbon dioxide is a very strong absorber in the infrared, and can be easily detected in the atmospheres of exoplanets," de Wit explains. "A signal of carbon dioxide can then reveal the presence of exoplanet atmospheres."

Once astronomers determine that multiple planets in a system host atmospheres, they can move on to measure their carbon dioxide content, to see whether one planet has significantly less than the others. If so, the planet is likely habitable, meaning that it hosts significant bodies of liquid water on its surface.

But habitable conditions do not necessarily mean that a planet is inhabited. To see whether life might actually exist, the team proposes that astronomers look for another feature in a planet's atmosphere: ozone.

On Earth, the researchers note that plants and some microbes contribute to drawing carbon dioxide, although not nearly as much as the oceans. Nevertheless, as part of this process, the lifeforms emit oxygen, which reacts with the sun's photons to transform into ozone — a molecule that is far easier to detect than oxygen itself. The researchers say that if a planet's atmosphere shows signs of both ozone and depleted carbon dioxide, it likely is a habitable, and inhabited world."If we see ozone, chances are pretty high that it's connected to carbon dioxide being consumed by life," Triaud says. "And if it's life, it's glorious life. It would not be just a few bacteria. It would be a planetary-scale biomass that's able to process a huge amount of carbon, and interact with it."

The team estimates that JWST would be able to measure carbon dioxide, and possibly ozone, in nearby, multiplanet systems such as TRAPPIST-1 — a seven-planet system that orbits a bright star, just 40 light years from Earth. "TRAPPIST-1 is one of only a handful of systems where we could do terrestrial atmospheric studies with JWST," de Wit says. "Now we have a roadmap for finding habitable planets. If we all work together, paradigm-shifting discoveries could be done within the next few years."

(Source: Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

WHY CO_2 MATTERS

Carbon dioxide (CO_2) is the Earth's most important greenhouse gas, which absorbs and radiates heat. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, unlike oxygen or nitrogen, greenhouse gases absorb heat radiating from the Earth's surface and re-release it in all directions – including back toward Earth's surface. Without CO_2, Earth's natural greenhouse effect would be too weak to keep the average global surface temperature above freezing. By adding more CO_2 to the atmosphere, people are supercharging the natural greenhouse effect, causing global temperature to rise. On the other hand, reduced greenhouse gases, including CO_2, would regulate planetary temperatures to ideal levels, allowing life to thrive.

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NOTICE TO GUARANTOR
(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

To,
1. **Reena Pankaj Surana** G2 block 6, Ganga Chelston, Silver spring road, Marathahalli, Bengaluru-560038
2. **Pankaj J Bothra** A 104 A J Residency, Velayutham Road, B/H A J Stadium, Sivakashi Virudhunagar, Tamilnadu -626123
3. **Pankaj Surana** G2 block 6, Ganga Chelston, Silver spring road, Marathahalli, Bengaluru – 560038
4. **Anil C Bothra** D -4 Vijay Tower, Opp Abad Dairy, Kankaria Road, Maninagar, Ahmedabad.
5. **Urmila Bothra** D -4 Vijay Tower, Opp Abad Dairy, Kankaria Road, Maninagar, Ahmedabad
6. **Meera Jain** A 104 A J Residency, Velayutham Road, B/H A J Stadium, Sivakashi Virudhunagar, Tamilnadu -626123

Dear Sir,

Re: Notice under Section-13(2) of The SARFAESI Act, 2002

Our previous Demand notice dated 14/08/2023 and published on 28/09/2023-in newspapers namely 1.THE HINDU & KANNADA PRABHA AT BANGALORE 2.AHMEDABAD EXPRESS & PUBLIC CALL AT AHMEDABAD issued under sub-section (2) of section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 stands cancelled. We are issuing fresh notice as under.

1. As you are aware, you have by an Agreement of Guarantee dated 30-11-2015 guaranteed payment on demand of all moneys and discharge all obligations and liabilities then or at any time thereafter owing or incurred to Bank of Baroda by M/S Unique Intertrade Pvt Ltd for aggregate credit limits of **Rs.2,90,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Ninety Lakh Only)** with interest thereon more particularly set out in the said Guarantee document.
2. We have to inform you that the Borrower has committed defaults in payment of its liabilities and consequently, the account has been classified as non-performing asset. A Copy of the Notice dated **16.12.2023** under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 sent by us to the Borrower is enclosed. Since the Borrower has committed defaults, in terms of the guarantee, you have become liable to pay to us the outstanding amount of loan/credit facilities aggregating **Rs.3,19,02,646.13 (three Crore Nineteen Lakh Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Six And Paise Thirteen Only) as on 04.12.2023** plus further interest thereon from **05.12.2023** at the contractual rate with monthly rests plus penal interest with costs, charges and expenses till payment and call upon you to pay the said amount within 60 days from the date of this notice. Please note that interest will continue to accrue at the rates specified in Para -1 of the Notice dated **16.12.2023** served on the Borrower (copy enclosed).
3. We further wish to inform you that in regard to the personal guarantee provided by you to secure your guarantee obligations for the due repayment of the loans and advances by the Borrower, this notice of 60 days may please be treated as notice under sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. We further give you notice that failing payment of the above amount with interest upto the date of payment, we shall be at liberty to exercise all or any of the rights under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act, which please note.
4. We invite your attention to sub-section (13) of section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you are barred from transferring any of the secured assets referred to in Para 1 of the Notice dated 16.12.2023 served on the Borrower (copy enclosed) by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of business), without obtaining our prior written consent. We may add that non-compliance with the above provision contained in section 13(13) of the said Act, is an offence punishable under section 29 of the Act.
5. We further invite your attention to sub section (8) of section 13 of the said Act in terms of which you may redeem the secured assets, if the amount of dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank of Baroda is tendered by you, at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction / inviting quotations / tender / private treaty. Please note that after publication of the notice as above, your right to redeem the secured assets will not be available.
6. Please note that this demand notice is without prejudice to and shall not be construed as waiver of any other rights or remedies which we may have, including without limitation, in the right to make further demands in respect of sums owing to us.

Encl.: Copy of notice to the Borrower with enclosures.

Date : 16.12.2023 **Sd/- Chief Manager,**
Place : Bangalore **Bank of Baroda**

GOVERNMENT OF GOA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
WORKS DIVISION XVII (PHE-N), PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
ALTO-PORVORIM, BARDEZ, GOA

e-TENDER NOTICE

No.PWD/DXVII/PHE.N/ASW/F.24-E/37/2023-24 Dated: 02/01/2024

1. Last date of online application: **15/01/2024** upto 15.00 hrs.
2. Last date of online submission of tender: **15/01/2024** upto 15.00 hrs.
3. Date & time of opening of online tender: **16/01/2024** after 15.30 hrs.

For more details please contact the office of the Executive Engineer WDXVII (PHE-N), PWD Alto Porvorim Goa.
(**Website: https://eprocure.goa.gov.in**)

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पत्र सं.01 **e- Tender Notice** दिनांक: 01.01.2024

Office of the Executive Engineer (Civil), MB-II, Chinyalisaur (Uttarkashi) invites online e-bid from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below.

Tender No : 24/ EE(Civil) / MB-II / Chinyalisaur / 2023-24

Name of work: Hill slope protection work behind Dharasu Power House of Maneri Bhali Project Stage-II at Dharasu, (Uttarkashi).

Estimated cost :- Rs. 1,82,84,459.34 (excluding GST)

Date of availability of bid document on : 02.01.2024 from 5:00 PM **website**

Last Date for submission of Tender : 25.01.2024 upto 05:00 PM

For fuller & further details, kindly visit our e- Procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.in

Executive Engineer (Civil), MB-II, Chinyalisaur

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POSSESSION NOTICE (Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** having its **Administrative Office** at **No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612001** and one of the Branch Offices at **B.M. Road, 316 I Stage, Near Bus Stand, Bengaluru-Mysore Main Road, Ramanagara, Bengaluru Rural - 571511** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) & (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **21-10-2023** calling upon the borrowers **No.1) M/s. R S R Silks Traders, Balageri, Ramanagara Taluk, Ramanagaram, Karnataka - 562159. No.2) Mr. Syed Naveed Ahmed, S/o. Mr. Syed Rafiq, at No.2933, Mothi Nagar, 4th Cross, Ramanagara - 562159. No.3) Mrs. Syeda Afeefa, W/o. Mr. Syed Naveed Ahmed, at No.2933, Mothi Nagar, 4th Cross, Ramanagara - 562159. No.4) Mr. Syed Rafiq, S/o. Mr. Syed Meer, At No.2933, Mothi Nagar, Mohalla, Ramanagara - 562159. No.5) Mrs. Syed Arshada Banu, W/o. Mr. Syed Rafiq, at No.2933, Mothinagar, Ramanagara - 562159** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs.8,34,774/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Thirty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Four only)** within 60 days from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from **19-10-2023** with monthly rests.

The borrowers above named having failed to repay the amount despite the receipt of the above referred statutory notice, NOTICE is hereby given to the borrowers above named and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the Properties described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 29th day of December 2023.

The borrowers above named in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of City Union Bank Ltd. for an amount of **Rs.8,59,984/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Four only)** and interest thereon from **27-12-2023** till the repayment of entire dues.

The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
Schedule - A

Property - 1 : (Property Owned by Mr. Syed Rafiq, S/o. Mr. Syed Meer)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Old Municipal Khatha No.2590/2375/1821, Now Municipal Khatha No.108/2933/C, PID No.15-3-140-3. Measuring : East to West - 28 feet and North to South - 50 feet, situated at Ward No.15, Mothi Nagar, Mohalla, Ramanagara Town, Ramanagara District. Boundaries on : East by - Property of Mohammed Noor, West by - Property of applicant Syed Rafiq, North by - Conservancy, South by - Municipal Road.

Place : Ramanagara. Date : 29-12-2023 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised officer of the **Karnataka Gramin Bank,** under the Securitization and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice calling upon the borrowers/ mortgagor/guarantor to repay the amount as mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act, read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on date mentioned below.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general, is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charges of the Karnataka Gramin Bank, for an amount mentioned as follows and interest plus charges thereon, till the date of realization of due.

Branch : Chikkabidarakallu

Name & Address of the Borrowers: Sri Srinivas S V s/o Venkataiah, Residing at No.36, 1st main, 1st Cross, Maruthi Layout, Doddabidarakallu, Bengaluru – 560073 and **Guarantor Somveer Nagaraja Reddy S/o Rajareddy,** Residing at No.142, 7th Cross, Indiranagar, Gangondanahally main Road, Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru-560073.

Outstanding Loan Amount: of **Rs.28,19,129/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Twenty Nine Only)** as on **16.12.2023** and interest and other charges from **17.12.2023.**

Possession Date : 27.12.2023 **Demand Notice Date: 10.10.2023**

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of the property bearing Site No 32, old Khatha no.202, Khatha no.6647, Assessment no.36/3 measuring E-W 26 ft, N-S 40 ft measuring 1040 Sqft situated at Doddabidarakallu, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk. This Property is in the name of Srinivas S V s/o Venkataiah. Bounded by: **East:** Other's property. **West:** Site No 31, **North:** Road, **South:** Site No 35.

Date: 27.12.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Place: Bangalore **Karnataka Gramin Bank,**

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The National Co-operative Bank Limited** under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **20.12.2022** calling upon the Borrower **Sri.Nagaraj R** S/o Sri Ram Reddy and the **Co-obligant, Smt.Madhavi** W/o Sri. Nagaraj.R residing at Flat No.107. S.V.R. Housing Icon Height, Anand Pura, T C Palya Main Road, Near M.M.A. Kabab, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru 560036, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.55,11,380/-** (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Eleven Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty only) as on **30.11.2022** and with interest from **01.12.2022** and other charges from thereon.

The borrower and the co-obligant having failed to repay the entire amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, co-obligant and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule on this **1st day of January 2024.**

The borrower and the co-obligants in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The National Co-operative Bank Limited for an amount of **Rs.55,11,380/-** (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Eleven Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty only) as on **30.11.2022** and with interest from **01.12.2022** and other charges from thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property are as noted below:

ANNEXURE-1 : SCHEDULE – A : All that piece and parcel of land dwelling houses and outhouses, wells, trees and drains thereon built and planted and situated and floors/outhouses here in after to be built, planted together with all rights and easements pertaining thereto and thereafter and enjoyed acquired Property bearing Site No.3, Old Khata No.239/2/40/3, Kowdenahalli Village, Krishnaraja Puram Hobli, Bengaluru property Belongs to Sri Nagaraj R measuring East to West 40 .feet North to South 50 feet totally measuring 2000 Sq feet and bounded by: East by : Middle portion of same site No.3 West by : Road, North by : Site No.4, South by : Road.

SCHEDULE – B : All that piece and parcel of land dwelling houses and outhouses, wells, trees and drains thereon built and planted and situated and floors/outhouses here in after to be built, planted together with all rights and easements pertaining thereto and thereafter and enjoyed acquired Property bearing Site No.1, Old No.40/3,Khata No.240./3, Kowdenahalli Village, Krishnaraja Puram Hobli, Bengaluru property Belongs to Sri Nagaraj R measuring East to West 80 .feet North to South 75+64/2 feet totally measuring 5560 Sq feet and bounded by: East by : Plot No.2, West by: Private Property, North by : Road, South by : Private Property.

Date: 01.01.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **The National Co-Op Bank Ltd.,**

AIR FORCE STATION
Yelahanka, Bangalore-560063
REGIMENTAL SHOPS

AOC AFS Yelahanka invites tender applications from suitable Vendors for running Regimental shops at AFS Yelahanka, for the period of one year. Preference will be given as follows: **(a)** War widows/Widows of defence personnel killed while on duty. **(b)** Disabled soldiers/Ex-servicemen **(c)** Spouses/Widows of Ex servicemen **(d)** Govt. organizations operating in the sector. **Availability of forms:** At SI Office on all working days (0800-1400 hrs from 01.01.24 to 11.01.24) **Cost of Forms:** Rs. 100/- (Non Refundable). **Earnest Money:** Rs.1,000/- in the form of DD in favor of OIC SI Fund AFS Yelahanka (Refundable). **Deposit of forms:**Tender Box kept at Main Guard Room from 02 Jan 24 to 12 Jan 24. **Opening of tender:** 1100 am on 12.01.2024 (In presence of applicants if any). Shops available for tendering with minimum tender value of quote **(a)** Fruit & Vegetable Shop Rs.14740/- **(b)** Cable TV Rs.3025/- **(c)** Cafeteria near Cinema Hall Rs.9350/- **(d)** Bakery Shop Rs.6050/- **(e)** Uniform & Stationary shop Rs.4410/-. **Right to accept or reject any of the bids:** AOC, AFS Yelahanka. Contact No.080-23411081, Extn. 7235 (Between 0800 hrs to 1400 hrs on all working days Mobile No: 8660585272

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया **Union Bank of India**

YELAHANKA NEW TOWN BRANCH
No.99, HIG, Sector A, 1st Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore North, Bengaluru, Ph: +91-8369854320 Email:ubin0554324@unionbankofindia.bank

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the authorised officer of **Union Bank of India, Yelahanka New Town Branch,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **05.08.2023** calling upon the **Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors: 1. Borrower: (a) Mr. A Krishnamurthy,** Flat No.912/16, N-LIG, 5th Phase, 16th Block, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064. **(b) Mrs. Shyamala Devi R,** Flat No.912/16, N-LIG, 5th Phase, 16th Block, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064. **2. Guarantor (a) Mr. B R Srinivasa Murthy**, No.140, LIG 1st Stage, 14th B Cross, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560064. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being of **(1) Loan (CHOME) Acct No.560631000502228** having outstanding amount of **Rs. 193906/-, (2) Loan CGSAN Acct No. 560616000042851** having outstanding amount of **Rs. 375663/-, Total dues of Rs.5,69,569/-** (Rupees Five Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Five Hundred And Sixty Nine Only) as on **05.08.2023,** together within further interest and charges expenses expenses thereon, within 60days from the said notice

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on **30/12/2023.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Union Bank of India, Yelahanka New Town Branch,** for an amount **(1) Loan (CHOME) Acct No.560631000502228** having outstanding amount of **Rs. 1,93,906/-, (2) Loan CGSAN Acct No. 560616000042851** having outstanding amount of **Rs. 3,75,663/-, Total dues of Rs.5,69,569/-** (Rupees Five Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Five Hundred And Sixty Nine Only) as on **05.08.2023,** together within further interest and charges expenses expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13of the Act, in respect of time available to the borrower to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Immovable Property: Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property being a Land in the layout formed by the Karnataka Housing Board at Yelahanka New Town, 5th Phase, Bangalore measuring East to West: 15.60 meters, North to South: 15.60 meters Total area: 243.36 sq feet.

Schedule B: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being a residential apartment bearing flat No.912, N –LIG, in the ground floor, 5th phase, 16th Block in the multistoried building layout formed by Karnataka Housing Board, Yelahanka City Municipal council Khata No.3376, situated at Yelahanka New Town Bangalore-560064, the Scheduled apartment is 1/18th undivided interest of the site measuring approximately 13.52 Sq. meters or 145.52 Sq. ft and containing living with balcony, one bed room, living cum kitchen, bath and toilet approximately measuring 26.365 Sq. meters or 283.79 Sq. ft built up area and joint undivided ownership and interest in the common space passages, pipes, drains and stair cases.

Date : 30.12.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Union Bank of India**

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WEDNESDAY

DAY'S DIARY

Apple incorporated

In 1976, Stephen G Wozniak and Steve Jobs found Apple Computer. It was incorporated on this day in 1977 as Apple Computer Corporation

ON THE BOARD

Prior to this, Wozniak designed electronic devices and games while still in his teens. Mike Makkula Jr invested $2,50,000 in venture capital and became Apple's first chairman

LARGEST IPO

Its IPO was the largest one since the Ford Motor Company went public in 1956. The stock rose almost 32% with a market valuation of $1.778 billion

OTHER PRODUCTS

Apple became an industry leader with its other notable products: iTunes (2001), the iPod (2001), the iPhone (2007), and the iPad (2010)

CE's guide to happenings in the city

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PEACH PERFECT

The Pantone Color of the Year, Peach Fuzz, is associated with warmth. Fashion experts from the industry predict that this velvety gentle tone has the potential to rule bridal couture

Kareena Kapoor Khan

Priyanka Chopra

Brinda Acharya

Payal Chengappa

MONIKA MONALISA

ALONG with the many beginnings for the New Year, there is also a chance to add some new colours to the wardrobe. Pantone announced its 2024 Color of the Year, Peach Fuzz, which is more of a pastel tone and drastically different from the previous year's Viva Magenta.

The colour is supposed to evoke a feeling of kindness and warmth, spreading the message of caring and sharing. Can the colour be a part of an Indian wardrobe? Absolutely, say designers. "It's a universal colour that can suit many Western styles and Indian sensibilities. It is compatible with the Indians' wheat-ish skin tone, but people with a darker complexion could blend it with different colours like burgundy and black to give a good contrast," explains designer Laxmi Krishna.

Last year saw an array of weddings with brides in pastel pink lehengas. Stylist Varshini Janakiraman mentions it could definitely happen. "The colour can make for a beautiful bridal lehenga. While red on your D-day is always going to be evergreen, many Gen-Z brides don't mind going for an off-beat colour and surprising everyone. The baby pink brought in a smooth transition to peach to be more easily acceptable. So it will be interesting to see different hues of peach in upcoming weddings," shares Janakiraman.

If you are going for a peach colour, it's also important to have the right kind of makeup. Celebrity makeup artist Manasa Vihana says peach allows for playing with bold colours. "Since peaches are in a lighter shade, you can go bold with makeup. If you are going for an Indian bridal look, smokey eye makeup, along with shimmery bronzer and nude lipstick will look good. For a Western look, I would suggest going for a hot pink lipstick with winged liner or foxy liner and tinted blush," explains Vihana, who also mentions that if you want to tone it down a bit for a brunch or a day event, a dewy look never fails.

PEACH AT HOME

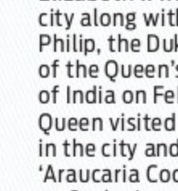
Being a colour that can blend in well, Peach Fuzz gives you a great chance to bring home that warmth that can make you feel cosy and cure all the stress of the day. Interior designer Swathy Sivaraman says your home becomes a canvas, and the Pantone Color of the Year is the vibrant stroke that defines a new chapter in design. "Be fearless, and try to incorporate it in unexpected ways - from daring accent walls that will draw the spotlight to quirky furniture pieces that become conversation starters," says Sivaraman.

POINTS TO NOTE:

Walls: Architecturally, consider an accent wall in classic blue, along with the Pantone hue. Paired with neutral walls, it creates a timeless canvas.

Cushions and Sofa: If you are incorporating the Pantone colour in cushions, opt for a sofa in deep blue, grey or cappuccino shade. It lets the cushions serve as intentional accents within the overall design.

KNOW YOUR CITY



Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

1. A children's park in Bengaluru is named after an old tamarind tree as 'Tamarind Tree Children's Park'. The park was set up in memory of Veerendra Patil, the former Chief Minister of Karnataka and was opened to public in the year 2017. The park also houses India's first Padel Court. Name the upscale locality in Bengaluru where the park is located.

2. An iconic tree in a well-known garden in Bengaluru was planted by Queen Elizabeth II when she visited the city along with her husband, Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, as part of the Queen's Commonwealth tour of India on February 21, 1961. The Queen visited the historic garden in the city and planted a sapling of 'Araucaria Cookii' (commonly known as Cook pine or the Christmas tree in India). The plant has grown into a giant tree today and stands tall in the midst of the garden. Name the well-known garden.

3. Bengaluru is dotted with many sprawling 'rain trees' within spacious compounds. One such majestic old rain tree is located at a prominent junction in the heart of the city which has lent its name to the colonial bungalow within the compound. Name the well-known luxury hotel which has an entrance pathway beside this heritage tree.

Turtle Tales

Bengaluru-based FoB documentaries and the Honnavar Foundation are soon to release the documentary *The Ocean Connection* which explores the local community's effort to save Olive Ridley turtles' nesting habitat, the trailer of which was released recently by popular Kannada filmmaker, Raj B Shetty

POOJA DAS

IF you are ever visiting the shores of the Tonka beach in Honnavar, a small town in Karnataka during this time, then you might blink and miss a 'miracle of nature', that of hundreds of Olive Ridley sea turtles hatching and making their way to the sea. Sandeep Hegde, founder of the Honnavar Foundation decided to document this miracle with the help of the Bengaluru-based documentary filmmaker Vikas Badiger, founder of the Faces of Bengaluru (FoB) Documentaries. "This region is known to be like biodiversity hotspots, there are the Western Ghats, Arabian Sea and Sharavati river so conservation has been the key focus for us. Even though I am born and brought up in Honnavar, I did not know about these sea turtles until the last few years," says 35-year-old Hegde. The trailer of the documentary titled *The Ocean Connection* was released on Instagram by popular Kannada filmmaker, Raj B Shetty.

Recounting a chance encounter at the Tonka beach two years ago, Hegde says, "We had gone to Echo beach which is one of the most famous beaches here, but it was really crowded so we decided to explore the Tonka beach a few kilometres away. When I got there, I got to know about these turtles coming over there and then I got to know that the beach is in danger of getting destroyed and turtles will lose their habitat as a result." The International Union for Conservation of Nature classifies the Olive Ridley turtles as vulnerable. The turtles' habitat is under threat from a proposal to build a four-lane road on Kasarakod beach in Honnavar to connect the local port. The local fishermen community and environmentalists have opposed this and moved the National Green Tribunal saying that the road will permanently damage the nesting areas.

"What we are trying to do with the documentary is create awareness and create a people's opinion which can create enough pressure for the officials and the government to take some action," shares Hegde. While he envisioned the idea of the documentary, Badiger created a script and the storyline for the same. "I met Sandeep through a mutual friend because he was looking for someone to document what was happening. I told him that this is something huge that is happening, wherein a fishing community realising and learning by themselves the importance of conserving these turtles is taking action to conserve this rich habitat. Of course, they had help from a marine biologist there but still just their fortitude to do it is pretty significant and that's something that I personally loved," he adds.

Speaking of some of the major challenges, Badiger says, "The shoot was genuinely hectic because capturing the turtles in their habitat was extremely uncertain. So whether it's 5am or 6am, we had to make sure we were ready to capture them." He further adds, "I've been a photographer and cinematographer for at least eight years now but this has been one of the most incredible experiences in my career so far." Hegde says that they got lucky with shooting the turtles, "Turtles are very seasonal as they come only between December to February to lay the eggs. The crew came all the way from Bengaluru to shoot. The first few days there wasn't much movement but finally we got good shots so that I think it is nature's way to also help us out in documenting this. All the pieces are coming together and people are paying attention."

(The documentary will premiere on Feb 4 at the Suchitra Theatre, Banashankari. Tickets, priced ₹150, on BookMyShow)

Behind the scenes of *The Ocean Connection*

MONIKA MONALISA

IT was plain passion for music that brought Layatharanga together more than two decades ago, and it is the same reason that the band is still going strong. Recently, the band comprising flautist Ravichandra Kulur, Jayachandra Rao on mridangam, Giridhar Udupa on ghatam, Arun Kumar and Pramath Kiran on percussion, hit 25 years of performing as a band.

"Giridhar Udupa and I happen to be schoolmates from 1990. So we used to perform together during school days. We had a few concerts too where we did a jugalbandi on the drums and the ghatam. Then we decided to collaborate in 1997. A few other friends joined us and that's how we started. Initially, it was just us jamming together but later when it started getting serious, we officially started the band in 1998," recalls Kumar.

Known for being Carnatic music-inclined, Kumar believes the band is inspired by world music. "We try to create fusion music by collaborating with Carnatic, Hindustani folk, and Western music. I come from a background of film music and I play a little bit of jazz-fusion, whereas Giridhar Udupa is a staunch Carnatic musician. Kiran plays various percussion instruments and Ravichander plays the flute. So we try to create tunes from different genres of music," explains Kumar, adding that in their last show, they paid tribute to Louis Banks.

The music surely has evolved with time just the way listeners' consumption of music has changed. "After being exposed to world music, we as musicians, have evolved and it shows when we perform together," says Udupa.

Note that!

Arun Kumar

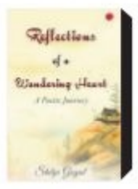
Giridhar Udupa

On the occasion of Carnatic band Layatharanga turning 25 this year, the city-based band comprising well-known names shares how their friendship has kept them together

The well-known ghatam player also takes pride in the fact that the band has stuck together for 25 years. "I can proudly say that you won't come across many bands that are together with their original band members. It is purely our love for music," says Udupa. Having gone through their share of ups and downs, Kumar reveals the secret behind the band sticking together. "It's about friendship and respecting each other. We have grown up together. So music and friendship make us stronger by the day. We have a lot of fun on and off stage," says Kumar.

The band has travelled to more than 50 countries performing at more than 500 concerts. "We are glad that people across the globe like our music. We always thought only Bengalureans knew about us, until one day while we were flying internationally and found a band listed in the music section. We were browsing through and we were all amused to see our picture in it. They had listed the songs from our music album Ananda," says Kumar. Having wrapped up all sessions for the year, the band is going to resume celebratory concerts in January.

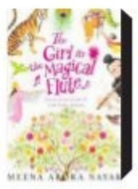
BOOK NOOK



Reflections of a Wandering Heart: A Poetic Journey

By Shilpi Goyal

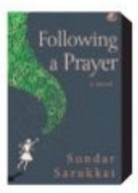
The book is a poetic expression that makes you do some soul searching and introspection. It attempts at giving a conscious look at the little treasures that we carry within ourselves.



The Girl in the Magical Flute: Stories from Myths and Folktales of India

By Meena Arora Nayak

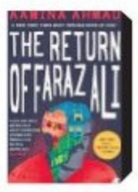
It gives classic folktales and lore from India (and beyond). Sourced from classical religious texts such as the Ramayana, the Quran, and the Bible, and from oral traditions, including those of the Ho, Munda, and Khasi tribes.



Following A Prayer: A Novel

By Sundar Sarukkai

Set in rural Karnataka, Following A Prayer tells the story of three young, inquisitive girls and the one day that changes their lives forever.



The Return Of Faraz Ali

By Aamina Ahmad

As the city assails him with a jumble of memories, the protagonist cannot stop asking questions or winding through the walled city's labyrinthine alleyways chasing the secrets—his family's and his own.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Drama Time

Attend the play *36 Sati Savitri Nivasa* that delves into the journey of three middle-class women navigating significant milestones in their lives.

When: Jan 4, 7.30pm
Where: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
Details: bookmyshow.com

Comedy Time

Experience an evening filled with hilarious standup comedy, mouth-watering food, and a fantastic atmosphere. Get ready for an unforgettable night of laughter and entertainment.

When: Jan 4, 8.30pm
Where: Nirula's, Indiranagar
Details: bookmyshow.com

Dynamic Dance

Explore the fusion of martial arts and contemporary dance in a workshop that delves into Swiss wrestling techniques. Discover the art of movement as it meets playful expression and performance.

When: Jan 5, 10am
Where: Shoonya Center for Art and Somatic Practices, Lal Bagh Main Rd
Details: bookmyshow.com

Art Therapy

Dive into the joy of creating stunning artwork on a wooden wall hanger with experts by your side. Destress and relax as you explore your inner creativity.

When: Jan 3, 5pm
Where: Art Beat, HSR Layout
Details: bookmyshow.com

Resin Craft

Unleash your creativity at this guided resin workshop where you will learn to craft a one-of-a-kind creation with resin! Take your art home along with a day of cherished memories.

When: Jan 3, 3.30pm
Where: Paint Cafe Studio, Whitefield
Details: bookmyshow.com

Sufi Night

Enjoy an unforgettable evening of soulful melodies, captivating performances, and the timeless charm of Sufi vibes.

When: Jan 3, 8.30pm
Where: Tudum, Vasanth Nagar
Details: bookmyshow.com

Fitness Goals

Get ready to learn the joy of movement with energetic fitness classes to achieve your health and wellness goals.

When: Jan 3, 6.30am
Where: LVDS, Indiranagar
Details: bookmyshow.com

ART FEST

The 21st edition of Chitra Santhe, one of the city's iconic art festivals, will be held on January 7 at Chitrakala Parishath | VINOD KUMAR T

QUICK FIX

PANEER VEGGIES SALAD

Contributed by **Roshni**, Bengaluru

INGREDIENTS

- **Hung curd:** 1 cup
- **Roasted peanuts:** 15 g
- **Onion (sliced long):** 1
- **Bell pepper (red / green):** 1, sliced long
- **Salt and black pepper**
- **Olive oil:** 2 tbsp
- **Cherry tomato:** 1
- **Paneer cubes (small):** 8-10
- **Oregano, chilli flakes / Mexican seasoning**
- **Lettuce & coriander / spring onion (optional)**

METHOD

- In a pan, heat 2 spoons of olive oil on low flame.
- Sauté paneer cubes and chopped veggies for 2 minutes for crunch and keep aside.
- Add seasoning and salt, sauté for a minute. Turn off the flame.
- In a bowl, add all veggies and hung curd. Mix well and add paneer on the side.
- Season with black pepper and peanuts for taste. Garnish with coriander or spring onion.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

SALAMBA NAVASANA VARIATION

(SUPPORTED BOAT POSE VARIATION)

In this pose, the body resembles a boat. The body is balanced on the sit bone with the support of hands. It creates a V shape like a boat and uses both the arms and legs. It is associated with the Manipura chakra. Working with this chakra helps yogis in confidence.

STEPS

- Sit straight and stretch your legs.
- Keep your hands on the floor behind your hips and pull your body up, ensuring the sternum is lifted.
- Lean back and straighten your back.
- Make an angle of 45 degrees by lifting your legs.
- Extend your tailbone and move your hips close to the navel.
- Straighten your knees now and lift your toes to eye level.
- Make sure your lower abdomen is relaxed and firm but not very hard.
- Breathe normally and hold the posture for 10 to 20 seconds initially and gradually increase the time.
- Finally, come back to the normal position and relax.

BENEFITS

- Stretches the hip flexors and strengthens hip extensors.
- Strengthens the quadriceps, gluteus maximus, and hamstrings.
- Stretches front ankle and strengthens calf muscles.
- Engages the deep core muscles, which help create stability.
- Helps alleviate pain caused by sciatica.
- Helps build strength in the arms, shoulders and back.
- Helps stimulate the digestive and reproductive organs.

LIMITATIONS

People with asthma, heart problems, headache, insomnia, diabetes, BP, diarrhoea, neck injury, hip, shoulder, knee or arm injury, and menstruating and pregnant women should avoid this.

Practise this under the guidance of a yoga expert.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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REGIONAL

MAST MEIN REHNE KA (Hindi)

A man chooses an old widower's home for his robbery, kicking off a set of events that have them both look at life with new comapnions.

Cast: Jackie Shroff, Neena Gupta, Monika Panwar

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

DHAK DHAK (Hindi)

On the trip of a lifetime, four women set out on motorbikes from New Delhi to the highest mountain pass in the world, in Ladakh.

Cast: Dia Mirza, Fatima Sana Shaikh, Ratna Pathak Shah

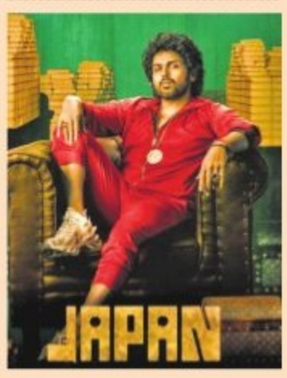
- **Watch on:** Netflix

LABEL (Tamil)

The story revolves around the protagonist's struggle to reach his desired identity and overcoming the identity society has labelled him with.

Cast: Jai, Tanya Hope, Mahendran

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

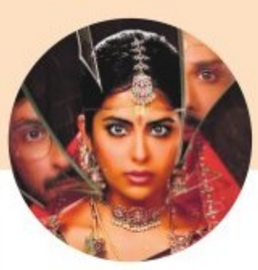


JAPAN (Telugu)

A daring robbery in a jewellery showroom kickstarts the hunt for Japan, a notorious robber, who is a law unto himself.

Cast: Anu Emmanuel, Karthi, Sunil

- **Watch on:** Netflix



VADHUVU (Telugu)

Anjuri Indu's marriage gets cancelled as her sister elopes with her fiancé. After a year, Indu marries Anand. The marriage is not a smooth affair as someone tries to stop the wedding. What experiences did Indu face in her in-laws' house?

Cast: Avika Gor, Ali Reza

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

TUNGKULUNG E EKEN (Bengali)

The is about the death of the local king, Shyam Sundar Rana and the investigation led by Eken Babu, and his two assistants.

Cast: Anirban Chakrabarti, Suhotra Mukhopadhyay, Somak Ghosh

- **Watch on:** Hoichoi

DRY DAY (Hindi)

The film revolves around three friends and their exploits on a dry day after one of them breaks up with his girlfriend.

Cast: Jitendra Kumar, Annu Kapoor, Shriya Pilgaonkar

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

THE FAMILY PLAN (English)

Dan Morgan is a devoted husband, a loving father, a celebrated car salesman. He's also a former assassin. When his past catches up to his present, he's forced to take his unsuspecting family on a road trip unlike any other.

Cast: Mark Wahlberg, Michelle Monaghan, Maggie Q

- **Watch on:** Apple TV

KEVIN HART & CHRIS ROCK: HEADLINERS ONLY (English)

A documentary that explores the careers and friendships of the two comedy icons. A unique behind-the-scenes look at their time spent touring together.

Cast: Jerry Seinfeld, Tiffany Haddish, Wanda Sykes, Bill Burr, Dave Chappelle.

- **Watch on:** Netflix

CHRISTMAS AS USUAL (Norwegian)

Thea is going to celebrate Christmas with her family, but this year she's bringing along Jashan, her Indian boyfriend, putting everyone's preconceived beliefs and traditions on their heads.

Cast: Ida Ursin-Holm, Kannan Gill, Marit Andreassen

- **Watch on:** Netflix

CANDY CANE LANE (English)

A comedy adventure about a man on a mission to win his neighbourhood's Christmas home decoration contest and makes a deal with a mischievous elf that brings the 12 Days of Christmas to life.

Cast: Eddie Murphy, Tracee Ellis Ross, Jillian Bell

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

BOOKED FOR 2024

From Ruskin Bond's *How To Be Happy*, which will release on his 90th birthday in May, to Vikram Sampath's book which dives deep into the history of the controversial Kashi's Gyanvapi, there is much for bibliophiles to look forward to this year

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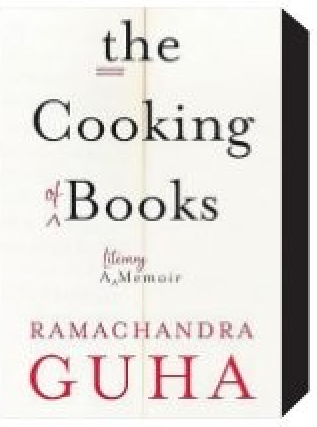
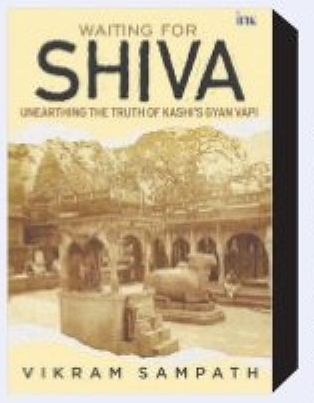
***THE COOKING OF BOOKS: A LITERARY MEMOIR* RAMACHANDRA GUHA (JUGGERNAUT, JANUARY)**



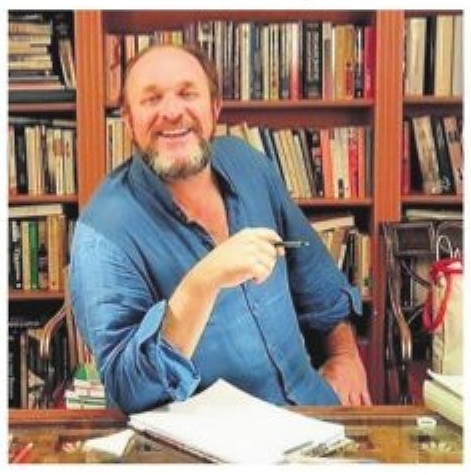
The Cooking of Books takes us back to Delhi in the 1980s when historian **Ramachandra Guha** was an unpublished Ph.D scholar and Rukun Advani was the editor with Oxford University Press and Guha's most reliable reader. It is not often that an author and his editor strike up a relationship that survives 40 years. The book, which was built around letters and emails between the two scholars, gives a good dose of wit despite clashing political viewpoints.

***WAITING FOR SHIVA: UNEARTHING THE TRUTH OF KASHI'S GYAN VAPI* BY VIKRAM SAMPATH (BLUONE INK, FEBRUARY)**



This time historian **Vikram Sampath** dives deep into the history of highly controversial Kashi's Gyanvapi. The book documents these cataclysmic events in the temple's history. The final death blow was dealt in 1669 by the Mughal ruler Aurangzeb, who demolished the temple and erected a few domes on the partially-destroyed western wall to call it a mosque. With the upcoming Lok Sabha elections in the picture, the book has already stirred a lot of anticipation.

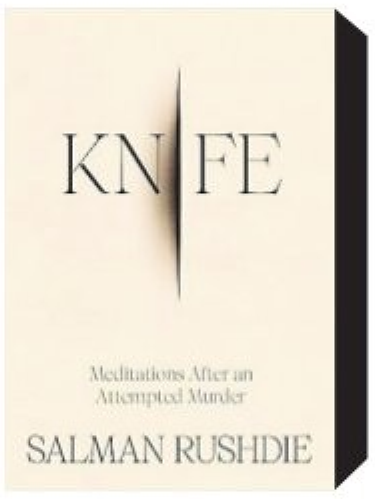
***THE GOLDEN ROAD: HOW ANCIENT INDIA TRANSFORMED THE WORLD* BY WILLIAM DALRYMPLE (BLOOMSBURY, SEPTEMBER)**



Scottish-born historian **William Dalrymple** highlights India's oft-forgotten position as a crucial economic and civilisational hub at the heart of the ancient and early medieval history of Eurasia. From Angkor to Ayutthaya, The Golden Road traces the cultural flow of Indian religions, languages, and artistic and architectural forms throughout the world.

***KNIFE* BY SALMAN RUSHDIE (PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE, APRIL)**

The big one coming from internationally-renowned writer and Booker Prize winner **Salman Rushdie** is a searing, deeply personal account of enduring and surviving an attempt on his life 30 years after the fatwa that was ordered against him. This is the first time Rushdie will be sharing the traumatic events of August 12, 2022, when he was stabbed multiple times, which resulted in him losing vision in one of his eyes.



***THE IDOLATERS* BY MANU PILLAI (PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE, SEPT)**

Historian **Manu S Pillai** writes about India's extraordinary past and the startling colonial connections that have shaped independent India's narrative. The book will examine the influence of the West on Indian beliefs and culture and how its present self-image was conceived. The book shows India through the 18th and 19th centuries, exploring everything from caste to religion and people from diverse backgrounds. Pillai will look at the lives of some of the remarkable men and women who were instrumental in shaping modern India.

***HOW TO BE HAPPY* BY RUSKIN BOND: (HARPERCOLLINS, MAY)**

After two bestselling books *How to Be a Writer* and *How to Live Your Life*, **Ruskin Bond**'s latest addition is *How To Be Happy*. For someone who continues to charm his readers with his words and stories, the book is interspersed with thoughts and quotes. The book is scheduled to be released in May 2024 on his 90th birthday.

The Trouble with Resolutions

HRIDAY RANJAN
Urban Bourbon

(Writer, comedian)

I sometimes think of a time when time wasn't invented. Were people more relaxed? Did they simply take every day as it came, and follow 'carpe-diem' while fleeing from man-eating lions? If you think about it, the earth has been going around the sun for billions of years. There was no need to split our short time on the planet into milliseconds – adding to global anxiety and existential crises.

I sometimes wonder – what if we measured our lives in decades? Without targets and resolutions, would we all be kinder to each other and ourselves? The Vedas say that human life can be divided into four sections – Brahmacharya (the unmarried student), Grihastha (the married householder), Vanaprastha (retiring into the forests) and Sanyasa (Renunciation of life). But today – we spend all the four stages in a single day. We learn through the internet, struggle to manage our finances till the month-end, crawl into our shells out of fatigue, and finally give up and crash into bed.

With our lives being carved up into years, days and seconds – the problem of achievement comes in. The last week of December creeps up on us like a dementor – making us question what we achieved in the year gone by. A few memes about the year flying past appear on your feed. And like a horcrux, existential dread creeps into you. Now there is no historical data to corroborate this, but I am sure that early man was never asked about his year-end goals. Early man went about trying to convert the neighbourhood wolves into pet dogs, and was glad that his arm had not yet become a starter for a tiger. And so Dear Reader, I plan to remove the stigma associated with New Year Resolutions once and for all. Here is your list of new year resolutions – feel free to pick any number of them.

The word 'resolution' looks very similar to 'revolution' – which is probably why it is treated with such heft. Break this by setting silly resolutions for yourself. Irrespective of work and personal targets, set aside 'fun targets' for yourself. A personal to-do list for yourself with the sole intention of having fun. Mondays deserve a drink. Mondays by themselves aren't so bad – it's just that being the first day of the week paints Mondays in a bad light. Like the solid technique of Sujith Somasundar that was outshone by the presence of Sachin Tendulkar – Mondays only seem bad in comparison. Which is why Mondays deserve a drink alone in a bar. Tuesdays arrive lethargically, late and frazzled. Tuesdays are usually boring and one needs a pep-up. What better pep-up than street-side pani puri? Eating pani puri on the streets is like playing a risky, real-life version of Grand Theft Auto where you walk the delicate deadline between taste and diarrhoea. Wednesdays come in the middle of the week when energy and motivation levels are at their lowest. Become an online Santa. Go to anonymous sites and motivate people, be nice to them – and feel better yourself. Thursdays bring a glimmer of hope with them of the coming joys of the weekend. Pet a stray dog and feed them a premium muffin from the nearest Iyengar Bakery.

And before you know it, Friday has arrived. Pack your laptop away for three days a week. And spend your weekends like an eccentric out-of-work artist – chase passions, and obsess over idiosyncrasies. Life is long and repetitive. Every time the dementors come at you, think back to that ancestor in the cave – petting the wolf and looking at the sunset. Happy New Year!

(The writer's views are his own)

NUGGETS

YOUNG LITERARY PRODIGY UNVEILS FOURTH BOOK

Kumari Amana J Kumar, a Class 10 student at Bishop Cotton Girls' School, unveiled her fourth book, *Galore of Mysteries*, on December 29. The book was launched by N Santhosh Hegde, retired Supreme Court judge, and former Lokayukta of Karnataka Government. Titled *Galore of Mysteries*, the collection is adventurous with elements of horror and humour, aiming to captivate readers with imaginative narratives. Her earlier works include *Echoes of Soulful Poems*, *World Amidst the Words*, and a Hindi poetry collection *Lafzon ki Mehfil*. She has been recognised as India's youngest poet by the India Book of Records in 2021. She has penned over 500 poems in English and Hindi and was conferred with various awards, including the Kautilya Junior Poet of the Year Award in 2021.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHANDRA KUMARI,** W/o. Uttam Chand, residing at No.11, Shanthi Nivas, 2nd Floor, Middle School Road, V V Puram, Bengaluru 560004, have changed my name to **CHANDRA H JAIN,** vide Affidavit Dated: 02/01/2024 sworn before Notary S.I.BALAGURU, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BABULAL,** S/o. Rooparam Ganchi, residing at #32, 5th Cross, Sampangiramanagar, Bengaluru 560027, have changed my name to **BABULAL GANCHI,** vide Affidavit Dated: 02/01/2024 sworn before Notary S.I.BALAGURU, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BHAVANI SINGH,** S/o. Mohat Singh, residing at #1411, Purohion Ka Bas, Ummedabad, Jalore, Rajasthan 343021, today camping at Bengaluru, have changed my name to **BHAWAR SINGH** vide Affidavit Dated: 02/01/2024 sworn before Notary S.I.BALAGURU, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHAMPALAL,** S/o. Nainmalji, residing at No.52, 2nd Floor, Saurashtra Pet, Chickpet, Bengaluru 560053, have changed my name to **NATHMAL JAIN,** vide Affidavit Dated: 02/01/2024 sworn before Notary S.I.BALAGURU, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt Vijaya** W/O **No. 13686682, Ex-Sepoy, K L Basavaraju,** presently residing at VPO-Kudiyanur, Tehsil - Malur, Dist - Kolar, Karnataka have changed my name from **VIJAYA** to **VIJAYALAKSHMI** vide Affidavit dated 2912/2023 before K Narayana Swamy, Advocate & Notary, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SRINIVASA RAGHAVALU,** S/o Late K.M.R. Naidu, aged about 56 Years, R/o, No. 44, Mount Senoria School Road, F.F Layout, Laggere Extension, Bengaluru Peenya Small Industries, Bengaluru-560058, do hereby declare that in my passport my given name is mentioned as **SRINIVASA RAGHAVALU** instead of only **SRINIVASA** and surname is wrongly mentioned as **NAIDU** instead of **RAGHAVALU,** vide affidavit dated 27.12.2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.S BAMMAPPANAVAR** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,**SRINIVASU** S/o **Ramachandrappa** R/at No.220 Banavara Purwabhag 4 hanumanthanagar Arasikere Hasana- 573112, have changed my name to **BANAVARA RAMACHANDRAPPA SRINIVASA** vide affidavit dated: 30/12/2023 Before Notary **A.R.Muneer Ahmed** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SARAH ANN EMMANUEL** (New Name) aged 30 years, W/o. NAVID SHAINU EMMANUEL, Daughter of Mr. GEOFFREY D'BRASS & Mrs. BARBARA ANN D'BRASS, RESIDING AT, FLAT NO. F2, MARK VIV APARTMENTS, 2ND CROSS, HUTCHINS ROAD, 50, JCO COLONY, OPPOSITE NBCLC, WHEELER ROAD EXTENSION, ST. THOMAS TOWN POST, BENGALURU-560084, KARNATAKA, INDIA, declare that, after my marriage with **NAVID SHAINU EMMANUEL,** I have changed my name from **SARAH ANN DBRASS** (Old Name), to **SARAH ANN EMMANUEL** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **SARAH ANN EMMANUEL** (New Name)for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 02-01-2024 before Notary **GANGARAJU.B.N.** at BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **M. KARUNYA PRABHA,** D/o. K. MURUGAN, Aged about 22 years, R/at # 135, A.K. Nivas, 3rd Cross, Mariyappa Road, Kullapa Circle, Kammanahalli, Bengaluru - 560 084, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MURUGAN PRABHA** to **M. KARUNYA PRABHA** vide affidavit dated 2.1.2024 sworn to before L. Gopalakrishna, Advocate & Notary, Government of India, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Satyam Pandey,** Aged about 21 years, S/o. V.S. Pandey, residing at No. 241/242, Ariligudi Compound, Cottonpet Main Road, Chickpet, Bengaluru - 560 053, do hereby submit that, my actual date of birth is **01.01.2003** as per my Aadhar Card, PAN Card, Driving Licence, Voter's ID, Birth Certificate. That in my passport my date of birth is indicated as **01.01.2000.** Vide affidavit dated 02.01.2024 sworn to before Arun R. Naik, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) CHONU BAI SHANKAR RAO** Residing at No:468/A, 2nd A Cross, Near Day To day Market, LBS Nagar, Bangalore North, Vimanapura, Bengaluru, Karnataka- 560017, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) CHONU BAI SHANKAR RAO** to **(NEW NAME) CHONU BAI SHAM RAO** vide affidavit dated 01.01.2024 sworn before Notary K.C.Shashikala Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SATHISHA N C** Residing at No.17,8th Cross Road, 9th Main Road, Shivanagara, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010. Have Changed my Name as **SATHISH N C** vide affidavit Dated: 02.01.2024 before Notary **SMT.A.MANJULA** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Kum. Bhavani. R** D/o Raju. P, aged about 19 years, R/o No. 427, Kammanahalli Colony, Doddakammanahalli, Gottigere, Bengaluru-560083, I state that, at the time of Issuing the Secondary School Board have wrongly mentioned has my name **BHAVANI.V** instead of **BHAVANI. R** and my father name also wrongly mentioned in the said Marks Certificate **VENKATESH** instead of **RAJU .P.** I hereby may name **BHAVANI D/o VENKATESH** to **BHAVANI. R D/o RAJU. P** and the said changed name **BHAVANI. R** stands in all purposes, vide affidavit dated 04.08.2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **PRAKASHA .C,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOHAMMAD MOOSA,** S/o A.R. Mohammad Ummar, age 39 years, R/at #72, KRR Layout, Bethel Nagar, Basavanapura, K.R. Puram, Virgonagar Post, Bengaluru-560 049 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MOHAMMED MOOSA MOHAMMED VUMMER** to **MOHAMMAD MOOSA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **MOHAMMAD MOOSA** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 2nd January 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MEER HASSAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) BANARSI DEVI,** Mother of No.13624975X, Rank: Hay, Name ISHWAR SINGH, residing of Ward No.2, Doomoli Kalan, Dumoli Khutd, Jhunjhunun, Rajasthan – 333516, presently residing at PRTC, J.C. Nagar, Bangalore-560006, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) BANARSI DEVI** to **(NEW NAME) BANARSI** vide affidavit dated 30.12.2023 sworn before Notary Sivakumara.M.N. Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **SHANTHA .N,** W/o. Sudarsanan.V, residing at #17, Old #104/1, 1st Cross, Near IDIOM, 1st Stage, Indiranagar, Baiyyappanahalli, Bengaluru-560038, declare that both the names **SHANTHA .N** & **THILAKAMANI** refers / pertains to one and the same person i.e., myself vide Affidavit 02/01/2024 sworn before Notary GANGARAJU .B.N, Bengaluru.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Anjana N** C/o Madhwesh TD residing at #67, Banarisi, 4th Main, DK Sandra, Vallabhanagar, Doddakallasandra, Bengaluru - 560062, have changed my name from **Anjana Madhwesh Thiluvalli** to **Anjana N,** vide affidavit dated 1/1/2024 sworn to before P.N.Nagesha advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHAITRA S YAVAGAL,** W/o Sandesh N Yavagal, aged about 23 years, R/at No. 477/G, 2nd Stage, 2nd Phase, WOC Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore-560086, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **CHAITRA SAMSHI** to **CHAITRA S YAVAGAL,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **CHAITRA S YAVAGAL** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 02.01.2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L VEENA,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Shataj Begum,** W/o Shaik Iqbal Ahmed, aged about 67 years, R/at No. 58, 6th Cross, 8th Main, TC Palya Road, Hoysala Nagar, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru-560016, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHAHTAJ BEGUM** to **SHAIK SHATAJ BEGUM,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHAIK SHATAJ BEGUM** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 02.01.2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R. SULAKSHANA,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHAKILA R** R/at Ramapattana Sarkal, B Block, Gudibanda, Gudibanda, Chikkaballapur- 561209, have changed my name to **R SHAKILA BANU** vide affidavit dated: 2/1/2024 Before Notary **Prakasha.C** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LILA DHAR** father of No.13624975X, Rank: Hav, ISHWAR SINGH, residing of Ward No.2, Doomoli Kalan, Dumoli Khurd, Jhunjhunun, Rajasthan-333516, presently residing at PRTC, J.C. Nagar, Bangalore-560006, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) LILA DHAR** to **(NEW NAME) LILA RAM** vide affidavit dated 30.12.2023 sworn before Notary Sivakumara.M.N. Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Santosh Dhandhania** Daughter of Muralilal Dhandhania, Residing at 18A, Aastha, 31st A Cross, Jayanagar 7th Block Bangalore - 560 070, aged around 29 years, do hereby declare that **Santosh Dhandhania Muralilal** and **Santosh Dhandhania** both the names are one and the same person and that is myself. Vide affidavit dated 27.12.2023 sworn to before Mamatha N.K, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **EKTA SRIVASTAVA,** aged about 32 years, daughter of Mr. Ashok Kumar Srivastava and wife of Mr. Aseem Kumar Sharma, residing at NO. 103, 1ST FLOOR, MAGNOLIA, OCEANUS GREENDALE, 16TH CROSS, 3RD MAIN ROAD, NEAR GANESHA TEMPLE, HOYSALA NAGAR, RAMAMURTHYNAGAR, BENGALURU, KARNATAKA - 560016, have changed my name from **Ekta Srivastava** to **Ekta Sharma,** vide affidavit dated 28/12/2023 sworn to before C.Sharada advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **TEJAS VENU,** S/o Venu .R, aged about 21 years, residing at resident at No.B-901, Adarsh Rhythm, 3rd Main, Panduranganagar, Behind Fortis Hospital, Bangalore 560076, have changed my name from **TEJAS** to **TEJAS VENU,** vide affidavit dated 2/1/2024 sworn to before B.Prasanna advocate and notary Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **P. PRASANNA REDDY,** S/o Papa Reddy, age 54 yers, R/at No. 73, Sarjapura Main Road, Near Kaveramma Temple, Kada Agrahara Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District do hereby declare that my correct name is **P. PRASANNA REDDY,** but in all my records my name is wrongly mentioned as **SRINIVASA REDDY** instead of **P. PRASANNA REDDY,** vide affidavit dated 02-01-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R.S. VIJAY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NABISA .M,** S/o Mohammed Ali, age 46 years, R/o No. 266, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Opp. Muthu Clinic, New Byaiappanahalli, Indiranagar Post, Bangalore-560038 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MD NABSAB** to **NABISA .M,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **NABISA .M** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 2nd January 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MEER HASSAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOHAMED IDREES,** S/o. Syed Mohammed Ismail, residing at #16, 1st Floor, 1st Cross, Shivaji Road, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru 560051, have changed my name to **S.M.IDREES,** vide Affidavit Dated: 15/12/2023 before Notary **MEER HASSAN,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **DEEPTI HARISH,** aged about 42 years, W/o Harish Kumar Sreenivas, Resident of #C-002, Ground Floor, Gaana Regent, Uttarahalli Main Road, Behind RNS IT Engineering College, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bengluru-560098. I Have Changed My Name from **DEEPTI HARISH KUMAR** to **DEEPTI HARISH** vide affidavit dated 02.01.2024 Sworn before advocate and notary **Deepa M.,** Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Madhu Bhandari** Wife of Uttamraj Bhandari, Residing at No. 257, 7th Main Road, Dasarchalli, Srinagar, Bangalore - 560 050, aged around 61 years, do hereby declare that **Madhubala Jain, Madhu Jain** and **Madhu Bhandari** both the names are one and the same person and that is myself. Vide affidavit dated 27.12.2023 sworn to before Mamatha N.K, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Mr. MOHAMED AMANULLAH M I Mrs. APSARATH BEGUM** residing at No. 22, 3rd Cross, New Petnoolpet, Kalasipalya, Bangalore-560002, have changed my daughter's name from **MADEEHA FATHIMA MOHAMED AMANULLAH** to **MADEEHA FATHIMA,** vide affidavit dated 30/12/2023 sworn to before B.M.Chandrashekar advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **YASHODHA** DOB 01-06-1968 aged 55 years, R/at Shubha Sadanakanakapura (Rual) Ramanagar 562117. My name and DOB in Passport is YASHODHA VENKATARAMANA SWAMY, 01-06-1967 instead of **YASHODHA, DOB 01-06-1968.** Passport authority kindly consider my name mentioned above are one and the same person vide affidavit dt 22-12-2023 sworn before B V NAGABHUSHANA Notary at Bangalore.

For SMART ADS & THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS CLASSIFIEDS
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2024 seems to echo the pan India trend that gained traction in 2022 with hits like *KGF Chapter 2* and *Kantara*. While there's no official word on major star-studded release dates yet, Kannada cinema this year holds much anticipation. Here's a sneak peek at some upcoming films making their way to the theatres

KANNADA CINEMA'S MULTILINGUAL EXTRAVAGANZA FOR 2024

A SHARADHAA

JANUARY and February will introduce us to good entertainers with comedy ventures like Abhijit Mahesh's *Bachelor's Party* backed by Rakshit Shetty, and Chikkana's *Upadhyaksha*, produced by Umapathy Srinivas.

The lineup also includes Shri Mahadev's *Just Pass*, Klanta, and Case of Kondana featuring Vijay Raghavendra, and Bhavana, which will be released on January 26. Suni's *Ondu Sarala Prema Kathe* starring Vinay Rajkumar and Milana Nagaraj, Pruthvi Ambaar's *For Regn*, Aniissh's *Aaram Aravind Swamy*, Deekshith Shetty's *KTM*, Rajavardan's *Hiranya*, *Shakhari*, *Moorene Krishnappa*, *Blink*, Vinod Prabhakar's *Maadeva*, and Santhosh Kodenkari's *Ravike Prasanga* will hit screens in February. One can expect Chandrajit Belliappa's *Ibbani Thabbida Illiyeli*, Nagashekar's *Sanju Weds Geetha2*, Prajwal Devaraj's *Gana*, *Mafia*, and *Karavalli*, *Daiji*, *Koli Asra*, Niveditha Shivarajkumar's first productional venture, *Firefly*, *Pepe*, *Gramayana* starring Vinay Rajkumar, Sanchith Sanjeev's *Jimmy*, and Nikhil Kumaraswamy's project with Lyca Productions, Chethan Kumar's *Burma*, Ninasam Sathish's *Matinee* making way to theatres this year. With Raj B Shetty and Rakshit Shetty yet to announce details about their next project, all these and more from newcomers aim to delight Kannada audiences. Let's peek at what's in store and whether they'll live up to the expectations of Pan India films.

Darshan looks forward to Devil

Challenging Star Darshan's *Kaatera*, directed by Tharun Kishore Sudhir, was released in late 2023, and is keeping the box office buzzing in 2024 too. His next film, *Devil - The Hero*, has already sparked interest. The collaboration with *Tarak* director Prakash Veer is expected to go on floors in the upcoming months. The filmmaker assures that Devil will be a complete entertainer tailored for Darshan's fanbase. There are a handful of other films lined up for Darshan; however, no official announcement has been made except for *Devil*.

Kichcha Sudeep's much-expected *Max*

Kichcha Sudeep is creating a stir with the release of Max, directed by Vijay Karthikeyan, expected around March or April. *Max* will be a multilingual release in Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Hindi. The teaser released on Sudeep's birthday introduces his new character as the menacing Demon, promising an action-packed plot and compelling performances. Sudeep also has an upcoming collaboration with director Cheran.

Rishab Shetty returns to break record *Kantara - The Legend Chapter 1*

Kantara: The Legend Chapter 1 is Rishab Shetty's highly anticipated prequel to the hit Kantara, which explored the human versus nature conflict, garnering significant acclaim. The film's first glimpse was released on November 27, unveiling intriguing details. Backed by Hombale Films, the film is set for release in Kannada, Telugu, Tamil, Malayalam, Hindi, Bengali, and English. As reported, over 25,000 aspiring talents reportedly applied for auditions.

Sriimurali returns with *Bagheera*

Sriimurali, who was last seen in Madhagaja (2021), is set to return with Bagheera, produced by Hombale Films. The movie, written by Prashanth Neel, directed by Dr. Suri, and starring Rukmini Vasanth, is set for a multilingual release and holds high expectations.

All eyes on Upendra with the *UI*

Real Star Upendra is making his directorial comeback after eight years with UI. The teaser, featuring a unique blank screen and intriguing audio, has garnered millions of views despite no visual content. UI promises technical innovation and is expected to be a multi-language release. He also has Buddhivantha 2 in production.

Yuvarajkumar's much-talked-about debut, *Yuva*

Yuva Rajkumar, grandson of Dr. Rajkumar, marks his debut in *Yuva*, which is made under Hombale Films and directed by Santhosh Ananddram (*Mr & Mrs Ramachari*, *Rajakumaraa*, and *Yuvarathnaa*). The film, which will be released in March, also stars Kantara actor Sapthami Gowda.

Vijay Kumar set to make noise with Bheema

The first mass entertainer of the year will be Vijay Kumar's *Bheema*, the second directorial venture of the actor-director after *Salaga*. The film is likely to hit the theatres in February.

Dhruva Sarja sets anticipation with *Martin* and *KD*

After his appearance in *Pogaru* (2021), Action Prince Dhruva Sarja is looking forward to his pan-India project, *Martin*, helmed by AP Arjun and produced by Uday K Mehta. Despite the teaser's release in February 2023, the film's release dates have been delayed to 2024. The film will be released in Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Hindi. Additionally, Dhruva Sarja has his sights set on *KD-The Devil*, directed by Prem, scheduled for release in 2024. This movie marks Shilpa Shetty's return to Kannada cinema and stars Dhruva Sarja, V Ravichandran, Sanjay Dutt, and Reeshma Nanaiah.

Shivarajkumar's interesting line-up

Shivarajkumar kicks off the year with the multilingual film *Captain Miller*, co-starring alongside Dhanush, set for a January 12 release. His next in Kannada includes Yogaraj Bhat's *Karataka Dhamanaka* produced by Rockline Venkatesh alongside Prabhudeva. He also has *Bairathi Rangal*, a film by director Narthan made under Geetha Pictures, Arjun Janya's *45* produced by Ramesh Reddy on floors, which will be released this year. This apart, he has given the green signal to Laki Gopal's *I V Returns* and a project with Dinakar Thoogudeepa.

Dhananjay has multiple releases

January 2024 brings three releases for Dhananjay. While he has the bilingual Kannada-Telugu, *Zebra*, up for release, the actor is looking forward to *Koti*, which marks the directorial debut of Param. He is also collaborating with *Badava Rascal* director Shankar Guru for *Anna From Mexico*, and Rohit Padaki's *Uttarakaanda*, which also stars Ramya, promising an exciting lineup for the year.

UPENDRA ASKS AUDIENCE TO DECIPHER TEASER LAUNCH DATE

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UPENDRA, return to direction with *UI*, has been generating the right kind of buzz for the movie. His recent teaser, purely filled with audio, sans the visuals, stirred conversations. Meanwhile, the creative filmmaker has begun the new year by giving the audience a puzzle, challenging them to decode the teaser launch date to win event passes. While many guessed 8th January, an official confirmation is due on Wednesday.

In his previous interview with *CE*, Upendra described *UI* as an ambitious cinematic venture with top-notch technology. The film, set to be a nationwide adventure, boasts striking graphics. Upendra shared they're working with four studios, waiting to unveil visuals when they're perfected.

UI has Upendra directing and starring as the lead, the film is produced by G Manoharan under Lahari Films and K P Sreekanth's Venus Entertainers. Naveen Manohar, the co-producer, also manages VFX. Reeshma Nanaiah and Murali Sharma play crucial roles in the film. Composer Ajaneesh B Loknath and Upendra are collaborating together for the first time for UI.

The film is in the post-production stage with dubbing works for various other languages, including Malayalam, Hindi, Tamil, and Telugu in full swing eyeing an early 2024 release.

I choose stories that honour women, respect culture, and give profit: Darshan

A SHARADHAA

CHALLENGING Star Darshan and his team, including director Tharun Kishore Sudhir, producer Rockline Venkatesh, the cast, and technicians, are basking in the success of their recent release, *Kaatera*. Although producer Rockline Venkatesh has not disclosed the exact box office figures, the film's popularity, demand from theatres, numerous shows, and audience appreciation of the film indicate it may have crossed the 50 crore mark since its release on December 29.

Kaatera is a commercial entertainer delving into the agricultural crisis, exploring the challenges faced by farmers and caste issues. The film received praise for its content-driven storyline, with audiences particularly appreciating Darshan's performance, which garnered significant attention.

During a media interaction, Darshan addressed comparisons between his portrayal of the mythological character Hiranyakashipu in Kaatera and Dr. Rajkumar's performance in *Bhakta Prahlada*. He humbly requested not to compare his acting with the legendary Dr. Rajkumar's, emphasising that he could never match even a fraction of the late actor's greatness.

When asked if his role in *Kaatera* satisfied the mass hero and performer in him, Darshan responded, "Just as one doesn't stop at breakfast but completes a day with lunch and dinner, there's always a desire to grow as an artist. While watching other actors perform, you feel both envious and delighted."

Teaam Kaatera

Darshan highlighted the importance of success in the Kannada film industry, stating, "Success doesn't merely elevate a single time like us but opens doors for numerous other films awaiting financing and encourages theatre owners to screen more Kannada films." He adds, "Success isn't solely about personal remuneration but it must be something that uplifts the entire industry. Teamwork is the foundation for cinema, it's not a one-man show."

Responding to a question about whether he aims for awards through his work, Darshan highlighted his focus on entertaining audiences through commercial movies. He expressed that the love and success received for *Kaatera* mean more to him than winning an Oscar. He emphasised that if he sought awards, he would choose non-commercial films to showcase his talent.

Addressing those engaged in piracy at the event, he said, "Some are pirating the film. I really wish they are well aware of the risk involved. Please refrain from contributing to this in any form. Sharing a pirated copy or making reels of the scenes on social media isn't commendable. Moreover, viewing a theatrical visual extravaganza on a mobile device isn't even a gratifying experience."

He stressed, "Kindly refrain from pirating. Show support for Kannada cinema. We haven't ventured into other languages. This film belongs to our locale, our Kannada industry. The duplicates are all around us. Please abstain from pirating or making reels. If you get caught and imprisoned, it's a final goodbye, see you later!"

Darshan went on to share his criteria for selecting projects. "I look for stories that don't disparage women, respect cultural values, and provide good returns to the producers."

The team chose to release *Kaatera* exclusively in Kannada, deviating from the trend of multilingual releases. While Rockline Venkatesh hinted at potential dubbed releases in Telugu and Tamil, Darshan explained the difficulties in justifying stories across different cultures, advocating for authenticity in storytelling.

Tharun Kishore, the director of Kaatera, agreed, highlighting the audience's preference for culturally native themes represented by filmmakers with a deep understanding of those cultures.

The team also revealed plans for the overseas release of Kaatera in the Gulf, the United States, Europe, and Canada. To begin with, a special screening in Dubai is arranged, on January 7, with further releases slated for other countries. Censorship and Arabic subtitles are underway for releases in specific regions.

Present at the media interaction were Jadeshaa K Hampi, co-writer of Kaatera, dialogue writer Maasthi, and actors Avinash, Shruti, Kumar Govind, cinematographer, Sudhakar S Raj, and music composer, Harikrishna, among others.